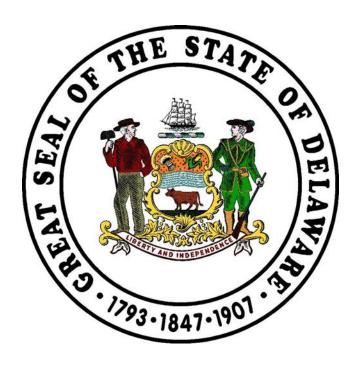
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This report is dedicated to all Delawareans whose lives have been touched by crime and to the brave men and women of Delaware's law enforcement community who serve the people of this State at the risk of making the supreme sacrifice.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Adult	A person 18 years of age or older.
Arrest	A person physically apprehended, cited or served with a summons related to a reportable offense.
Arrest Rate	The number of arrests reported per 1,000 people. $\frac{arrests}{population} X$ 1,000
Clearance	For crime reporting and analysis purposes, an offense is considered 'cleared' or solved when a suspect is either arrested and subsequently referred for prosecution or cannot be arrested but is otherwise clearly identifiable. This term is more fully explained in the body and the appendix of this report.
Crime Incident	One or more crimes/offenses committed by the same offender, or group of offenders at the same time and place. A Crime Incident may involve more than one reported offense.
Crime Rate	The number of crimes/offenses per 1,000 people. $\frac{offenses}{population} X$ 1,000
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use.
Ethnicity	Ethnic origin, regardless of race, identified as either Hispanic/Latino or not Hispanic/Latino.
Group A Offenses	24 serious crimes ranging from arson through assault, burglary, vandalism, drug offenses, fraud, homicide and forcible sex offenses. Group A detailed information is based on each charge in a crime incident.
Group B Offenses	11 offenses ranging from bad checks, to non-violent family offenses. Group B offenses only have arrestee data recorded in NIBRS.
Juvenile	A person under 18 years of age.
Offenses Received (Charges)	Crimes/offenses reported to or otherwise known to police. Each charge in a crime incident is counted.
Property Offenses	Property Offenses are crimes based on the main criminal objective to obtain money, property, or some other benefit.
Social Offenses	Social Offenses represent certain types of criminal activity prohibited by our society (e.g., gambling, prostitution-related offenses).
Type of Crime	The specific category to which a crime/offense belongs. For <i>Crime in Delaware</i> , these categories are Violent Offenses, Serious Property Offenses, Drug/Narcotic Offenses, and Other Property and Social Offenses.
Violent Offenses	Violent Offenses are defined as those crimes which involve force or threat of force. They are: Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter, Kidnapping, Forcible Sex Offenses, Robbery, and Assault.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Crime in Delaware is the official report of serious crime known to Delaware law enforcement agencies. This report provides information about 24 Violent, Serious Property, Drug/Narcotic and Other Property and Social Offenses reported in Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) operated by the State Bureau of Identification of the Delaware State Police. Data for the years 2015 through 2019 are included in this report. Also, as appropriate, data for the years 2008 through 2014 are added to illustrate long-term trends.

The report provides a summary of data on Serious Offenses, Clearances, Adult and Juvenile Arrests, and Assaults against Law Enforcement Officers at the state and county levels, followed by a detailed data section organized by state and county.

A more detailed summary is available in *Crime in Delaware 2015 – 2019, Executive Brief,* located at the SAC's website: http://cjc.delaware.gov/sac/publications/crime.shtml

Key Findings/Trends

Overall, serious crime has decreased since 2015. The number of serious criminal offenses known to police in 2015 was 83,082 compared with 75,348 in 2019, a decrease of over 9%.

Violent crime in the State decreased over 13% from 2015 to 2019, continuing a long-term decline. Homicides show a 21% decrease from 2015 to 2019.

The number of Homicides in 2019 (52) was 21% lower than the high point in 2015 (66). From 2015 to 2019, New Castle County decreased by 9 homicides, Kent County decreased by 7, and Sussex County increased by 2.

Beginning in 2019, the FBI began counting Vehicular Homicide offenses under the Criminally Negligent Homicide category. Those offenses were not previously included in the NIBRS Homicide summary totals. A review found 3 Homicides were included due to this change.

Serious Property Offenses decreased 15% between 2015 and 2019. Burglary Offenses decreased 38% from 2015 to 2019.

Drug Possession Offenses increased almost 42% from 2015 to 2019. Drug Equipment-related Offenses decreased almost 25%.

Other Property and Social Offenses decreased about 11% between 2015 and 2019. One of the most common offenses, Property Destruction, decreased 22% over the same period.

Two of the most frequently reported crimes—Assault Offenses and Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property Offenses continued long downward trends from 2015 to 2019. Assault Offenses decreased 11% while Property Destruction decreased 22%.

Based on 2019 data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to the rates from 2015 through 2018. 56.1% of offenses in 2019 were cleared by the end of the year.

Violent Assaults against Law Enforcement Officers increased by 16% between 2015 and 2019. No officers were killed in 2019. There was a record 24 "attempted homicide of an officer" charges in 2017. The vast majority of these charges were in relation to a standoff with a subject firing at responding officers after murdering an officer that same afternoon.

INTRODUCTION

Crime in Delaware is the official report of serious crime reported to Delaware law enforcement agencies. This report covers data on serious crimes that were reported to Delaware's state, county, and local police agencies for the years 2015 through 2019.

The report is divided into the following sections:

- A summary of serious crime data at the state and county levels.
- A detailed data section with information about serious offenses, clearance rates, arrests, law enforcement agency staffing, and violent crimes committed against law enforcement officers.
- A Technical Appendix with a detailed discussion of clearance rates, along with a glossary of crime definitions and National Criminal Information Center (NCIC) crime codes.

Crime in Delaware provides data about the 24 Group A Offenses reported in Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). These offenses include Drug/Narcotic Offenses and 23 other specific crimes/crime categories listed below:

Vio	lent	Offenses	

Homicide¹ Human Trafficking Forcible Sex Offenses

Kidnapping Robbery Assault

Serious Property Offenses

Arson Burglary Motor Vehicle Theft

Extortion/Blackmail Larceny/Theft

Other Property and Social Offenses

Counterfeiting/Forgery Destruction, Damage, Vandalism Prostitution

of Property

Fraud Non-forcible Sex Offenses Bribery

Embezzlement Pornography/Obscene Material Weapon Law Violations

Stolen Property Gambling Cruelty to Animals

Drug/Narcotic Offenses

Drug/Narcotic Offenses

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METHODOLOGY

Data Sources

Data for this report were drawn from two sources:

- The State Bureau of Identification (SBI) of the Delaware State Police, which maintains Delaware's implementation of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (which, for simplicity, is referred to as 'NIBRS' in the data section of this report), from which offense, clearance, arrest, and crimes against law enforcement officers statistics are derived. SBI is also the source of law enforcement agency staffing numbers.
- The Delaware Population Consortium, from which state and county population figures are drawn.

Delaware NIBRS data reports for 2019 were downloaded from the Delaware Department of Technology and Information secure document library on March 27, 2020. The Center's data stability check of 2018 data indicates fluctuations of past years data continue to be statistically inconsequential; therefore, updated data for 2018 were not downloaded.

Preparing the Data for Inclusion in *Crime in Delaware*

Checking Data Quality

NIBRS data are not automatically drawn from criminal incident reports filed by participating law enforcement agencies. Because each state has its own set of criminal statutes, offense names and definitions vary from state to state. To allow data from states to be examined at a national level, each jurisdiction participating in NIBRS must assign each offense a common NIBRS code before entering and submitting data to the system. This extra set of steps introduces opportunities for data errors and requires a process for checking data quality.

Having crime data that is reasonably accurate and complete is essential for producing the *Crime in Delaware* report. To ensure that the data were sufficient for use in this report, validation checks were conducted to identify any issues of concern related to data completeness and accuracy. Since the State Bureau of Identification conducts extensive data quality and review control procedures (as do the Dover, New Castle County, and Wilmington Police Departments) prior to submitting NIBRS data to the FBI, it only is necessary for the Delaware Statistical Analysis Center to perform a more limited set of validation checks.

Validation checks conducted for 2019 data reports indicated these data were of sufficient quality and completeness for use in the *Crime in Delaware* report.

Preparing and Transforming Data

Single year NIBRS data reports prepared by SBI are not in a production-ready/user-friendly format, nor do they contain the various statistics (differences, crime rates, percentages) that *Crime in Delaware* includes. These data reports, downloaded as text files, were imported to Microsoft Excel before undergoing a cleaning and transformation process so that the data could be collated across years and examined at the state and county levels using appropriate computations and calculations. The Statistical Analysis Center is currently working with the statistical software package "R" and Access in order to automate and improve the analysis that can be done with the NIBRS data that is available.

Statistical Refinements

In previous years, Crime in Delaware made a distinction between "Preliminary data" and "Final data." This was due to the fact that offense totals would fluctuate for 12-18 months after the reporting period ended. In recent years this fluctuate has decreased to less than 0.2% which is statistically inconsequential. Due to this reduction in offense total fluctuations, all data is considered "Final" once it is initially reported by SBI. As each year's offenses are reported by SBI, data stability checks will be conducted to verify the fluctuations have stayed at a very low rate.

Notes and Important Considerations

Data in this report reflect only the serious crimes known to police (i.e., have been reported to the police or that police have observed). Some serious crime incidents are never reported or detected. Other serious crime incidents may only be reported or detected months or years after they occurred. The numbers in this report should, therefore, be considered as a floor estimate—that is, there was at least as much serious crime as noted in this report, likely more. Less serious offenses, for which NIBRS only contains arrest data, are not included in this report.

Caution should be used in drawing conclusions about changes in the occurrence of serious crime based on the data in this report. The following considerations should be kept in mind:

- NIBRS data reflect the number of offenses/charges rather than unique criminal
 incidents. A single criminal incident can result in a single charge filed by police or
 multiple charges depending on what criminal behaviors occur during the incident and
 the characteristics of the incident itself (e.g., the number of victims and alleged
 offenders).
- Crime Rate figures (i.e., the number of crimes per 1,000 people) are best viewed in the context of other crime and population data. The Crime Rate reflects not just the change in the number of offenses known to law enforcement officers but the change in the population as well. Even if the number of offenses has not changed from one year to the next, changes in population will make it appear that crime has decreased (in the event of a population increase) or that it has increased (if the population decreases). The Crime Rate, when used by itself, can create a distorted picture of crime.
- Use caution in comparing jurisdictions, counties, and states. Differences in community socioeconomic factors, population trends, and how law enforcement agencies operate (in charging practices when an arrest is made; in interpreting crime definitions; in enforcement priorities, etc.) can vary greatly among communities, all of which create challenges in making accurate and valid comparisons. Also, participation in NIBRS is voluntary and not all states choose to participate; even among many states that participate, not all jurisdictions elect to take part. Where crime data for a state are not complete, the FBI must create estimates to account for those data gaps.

The FBI says it best in the introductory note to its *Preliminary Annual Uniform Crime Report, January-December, 2012*²:

"Individuals ... are cautioned against drawing conclusions by making direct comparisons between cities. Comparisons lead to simplistic and/or incomplete analyses that often create misleading perceptions adversely affecting communities and their residents. Valid assessments are possible only with careful study and analysis of the range of unique conditions affecting each local law enforcement jurisdiction. It is important to remember that crime is a social problem and, therefore, a concern of the entire community. The efforts of law enforcement are limited to factors within its control. The data user is, therefore, cautioned against comparing statistical data of individual agencies."

A Note About Clearances/Clearance Rates

The federal definition of *clearance rate* is the percentage of offenses received that are 'solved' through an arrest or by exceptional means. An offense is 'cleared by arrest' for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of the offense, and turned over to a court for prosecution.

In certain situations, an offender is known but is not or cannot be arrested and formally charged. When this happens, the offense can be cleared by *exceptional means*. Such situations include, but are not limited to, offender death or confession; an offender who cannot be extradited from another jurisdiction; refusal of a victim to cooperate in a prosecution; handling a juvenile offender through an alternative police policy.

It is important to keep in mind that the arrest or identification of one offender may clear multiple offenses. Alternatively, multiple arrests may clear only a single offense.

A Note about Drug Offense Data

In December 2015, Delaware passed legislation that decriminalized certain marijuana possession offenses. Depending on various circumstances, these offenses are civil offenses. With the Federal Government still recording these offenses as criminal, they are part of the Drug Offense totals in this report.

For 2016 through 2018, there have been noticeable declines in drug arrests despite slowly increasing reported and cleared drug offenses. After a review of these offenses, the primary cause for this arrest decline can be attributed to the civil marijuana possession statute changes that were implemented in December 2015. A smaller, yet still significant, portion is due to the surge in statewide overdoses over the last few years. In many overdose situations, an individual that has overdosed and survives is typically not arrested for the drug possession that led to the overdose unless there are other circumstances involved in the incident.

² Available at: http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/crime-in-the-u.s/2012/preliminary-annual-uniform-crime-report-january-december-2012

SERIOUS CRIME AT-A-GLANCE

This section of the report provides summary-level data about serious crime in Delaware and in the state's three counties for the years 2015 to 2019. Included in this section are data about the total number of serious offenses and the four major categories of crime: Violent Offenses, Serious Property Offenses, Drug Offenses, and Other Property and Social Offenses.

The specific topics addressed in this section follow:

- offenses received by law enforcement agencies;
- offense clearances:
- crime rates;
- differences in the number of offenses received between years;
- total arrests and arrests of adults and juveniles; and
- assaults against law enforcement officers.

All state-level summary data, organized by the topics above, are presented first. All summary data, again organized by topic, are then presented for each county. More detailed data about offenses and clearances, arrests, and assaults against law enforcement officers can be found in the '…Detailed Look at Serious Crime…' section beginning on page 30.

Note to the reader

Crime in Delaware in previous years made a distinction between "Preliminary data" and "Final data." This was due to the fact that offense totals would fluctuate for 12-18 months after the reporting period ended. In recent years this fluctuate has decreased to approximately 0.2% which is statistically inconsequential. Due to this reduction in offense total fluctuations, all data is considered "Final" once it is initially reported by SBI.

As noted earlier in this report, please use caution when comparing Delaware's data to national data or those for other states. Crime data, particularly crime rates, are best understood in the context of other data.

Delaware Serious Crime at-a-Glance, 2015 – 2019

Overall, there were 7,734 fewer reported serious Group A Offenses in 2019 compared to 2015 (9.3%) (see Table 1 and Figure 1). Three out of four of the crime categories were lower compared to 2015 with the greatest declines in Serious Property Offenses (14.8%) and Violent Offenses (13.2%). Total Drug Offenses increased 13.6% over the same period. Total Drug Offenses were also the only category to increase from 2018 to 2019 (10.5%). Long-term trends in offenses since 2008 are also presented in Figure 1. Crime category differences from 2015 to 2019 for Delaware are presented in Figure 2.

Serious Property Offenses were the most frequently reported category of crimes in 2019 (30.3%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (27.8%), Violent Offenses, (24.3%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (17.5%). These proportions are similar to those from 2015, except for Drug Offenses, which has been an increasing portion of all offenses.

The most frequently reported offenses were Larceny; Assault; Drug/Narcotic; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Fraud; and Burglary. Drug/Narcotic Offenses continue a steady climb from 2016 that showed a sharp incase from 2018 to 2019. These increases have cemented Drug Offenses as the 3rd most common offense in Delaware. In 2019, Larceny, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, and Burglary continued an overall downward trend. Fraud Offenses showed no significant changes since 2016 after a slow multi-year climb since 2010.

Based on 2019 data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to the rates from 2015 through 2018 (see Table 1 and Figure 4). Offenses in the Drug/Narcotic and Violent Offense categories continue to be cleared at high rates (95.8% and 77.6%, respectively). Overall, more than half of the offenses committed in 2019 were cleared by the end of the calendar year (56.1%). Trends since 2008 can be seen in Figure 4.

The number of arrests from 2015 to 2019 was lower for all categories. Serious Property Offense Arrests were down 26% and Other Property and Violent Offenses were 15% and 9% lower. Drug Offenses showed a 31% decrease in arrests from 2015 to 2019 but rose slightly from 2018 totals. This substantial drop is largely attributable to marijuana possession statute changes mentioned earlier in this report.

2019 data indicates that the trend of violent offenses against law enforcement officers has been mixed but has been increasing a report period high in 2019 (see Table 3). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2019 and there were 448 violent offenses against officers, a 16% increase from 2015. It should be noted 2017 data showed 24 attempted homicides on officers. This is mostly attributed to a standoff involving a subject shooting at responding officers after shooting and killing a Delaware State Trooper. Nearly all violent offenses against law enforcement officers were cleared by the end of the calendar year (94%). Figure 5 illustrates the long-term trends in assaults against Delaware law enforcement officers.

Table 1: Delaware Statewide Serious Crime Summary, 2015 – 2019

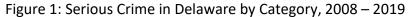
Serious Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019								
	2017	2018	2019					
Violent Offenses	21,101	20,343	19,115	18,684	18,306			
Percent Cleared	75.5%	74.1%	73.9%	75.9%	77.6%			
Serious Property Offenses	26,834	27,565	24,298	23,420	22,872			
Percent Cleared	32.2%	32.2%	30.6%	28.8%	30.8%			
Drug Offenses	11,613	10,920	11,545	11,940	13,195			
Percent Cleared	94.7%	93.4%	93.7%	95.3%	95.8%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	23,534	24,514	22,776	21,440	20,975			
Percent Cleared	42.5%	40.8%	41.4%	37.7%	39.9%			
Total Offenses Received	83,082	83,342	77,734	75,484	75,348			
Percent Cleared	54.9%	52.7%	53.8%	53.5%	56.1%			

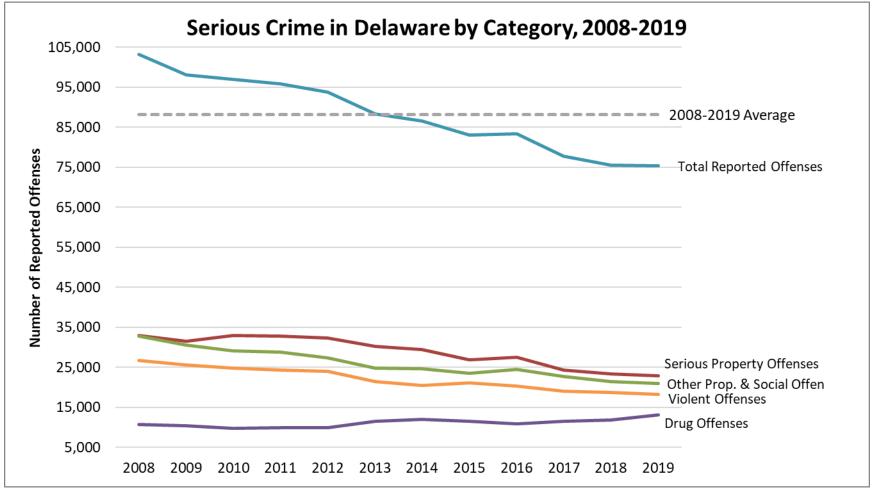
Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
Delaware Population	945,937	954,077	967,813	974,051	972,332			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Violent Offenses	22.3	21.3	19.8	19.2	18.8			
Serious Property Offenses	28.4	28.9	25.1	24.0	23.5			
Drug Offenses	12.3	11.4	11.9	12.3	13.6			
Other Property and Social Offenses	24.9	25.7	23.5	22.0	21.6			
Total Offenses Received	87.8	87.4	80.3	77.5	77.5			

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received							
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 – 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19	
Violent Offenses	-3.6%	-6.0%	-2.3%	-2.0%	-13.2%	-7.6%	
Serious Property Offenses	2 .7%	-11.9%	-3.6%	-2.3%	-14.8%	-10.4%	
Drug Offenses	-6.0%	5.7%	3.4%	10.5%	13.6%	14.7%	
Other Property, Social Offenses	4.2%	-7.1%	-5.9%	-2.2%	-10.9%	-9.1%	
Total Offenses Received 0.3% -6.7% -2.9% -0.2% -9.3% -5.7%							

Table 2: Statewide Arrests for Serious Offenses

Statewide Arrests for Serious Offenses									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Total Arrests	27,994	26,039	23,739	21,695	22,456				
Violent Offenses	9,508	9,313	8,591	8,493	8,699				
Serious Property Offenses	7,442	7,218	6,201	5,338	5,508				
Drug Offenses	7,016	5,300	4,928	4,513	4,807				
Other Property and Social Offenses	4,028	4,208	4,019	3,351	3,442				
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Total Adult Arrests	24,792	23,031	21,103	19,416	20,078				
Violent Offenses	8,030	7,910	7,356	7,364	7,502				
Serious Property Offenses	6,602	6,487	5,530	4,793	4,945				
Drug Offenses	6,587	4,937	4,577	4,225	4,541				
Other Property and Social Offenses	3,573	3,697	3,640	3,034	3,090				
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Total Juvenile Arrests	3,202	3,008	2,636	2,279	2,378				
Violent Offenses	1,478	1,403	1,235	1,129	1,197				
Serious Property Offenses	840	731	671	545	563				
Drug Offenses	429	363	351	288	266				
Other Property and Social Offenses	455	511	379	317	352				





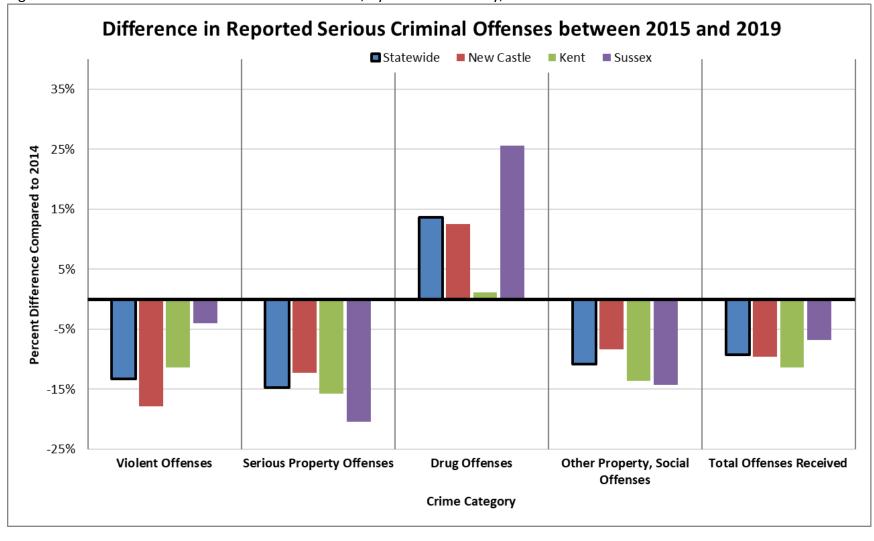


Figure 2: Final Differences in Serious Criminal Offenses, by State and County, 2015 and 2019

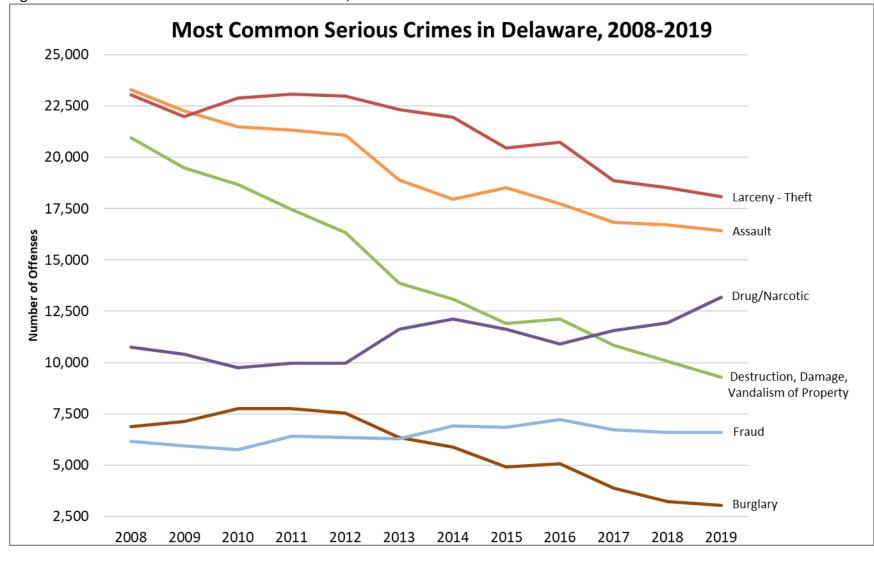


Figure 3: Most Common Serious Crimes in Delaware, 2008 – 2019

Figure 4: All Delaware Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019 All Delaware Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008-2019 110,000 100,000 90,000 80,000 Offenses 70,000 Number 60,000 50,000 Clearances 40,000 30,000 20,000 Adult Arrests 10,000

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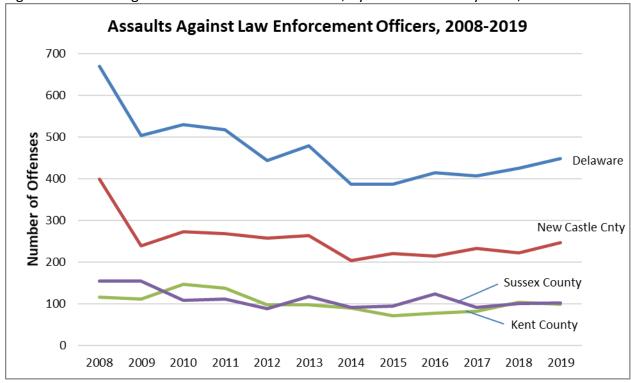
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Table 3: Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019

Violent Offenses Against Law Enforcement Officers, 2015 – 2019									
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019									
Officers Assaulted	386	414	407	425	448				
Officers Killed	0	0	2	0	0				
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	1	24	0	1				
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	17.9%	18.8%	17.4%	16.7%	20.5%				
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.1%	97.1%	93.6%	93.4%	94.4%				

Note: The majority (18) of the increase in "Attempted Homicides on Officers" from 2016 to 2017 is attributable to the fatal shooting of an officer and the subsequent stand-off that involved the subject shooting at multiple responding officers.

Figure 5: Assaults Against Law Enforcement Officers, by State and County Level, 2008 – 2019



New Castle County Serious Crime At-a-Glance, 2015 – 2019

Overall, there were 4,396 fewer reported serious Group A Offenses in the county in 2019 compared to 2019, a decline of 9.6% (see Table 4 and Figure 6). Total Drug Offenses were the only main crime category to show increases from 2015 to 2019. The greatest declines were in Violent Offenses (17.8%) and Serious Property Offenses (12.3%). Total Drug Offenses have been climbing the past three years. Long-term trends in offenses since 2008 are presented in Figure 6.

Serious Property Offenses were the most frequently reported category of crime in the county in 2016 (33.1%), followed by Other Property and Social Offenses (28.9%), Violent Offenses (23.2%), and Drug/Narcotic Offenses (14.8%). Drug Offenses account for an increasing portion of offenses compared to previous years.

The most frequently reported offenses in the county in 2019 were Larceny; Assault; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Drug/Narcotic; Fraud; and Burglary. Assault and Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Offenses continue overall downward trends from 2008 (see Figure 7). Larceny and Burglary have shown a gradual decrease since 2012, despite a sharp increase in 2016 in Larceny Offenses. Drug Offenses continue a steady climb since 2016. Figure 7 displays the long-term trends in these offenses since 2008.

Based on 2019 data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at comparable rates from 2015 to 2018 (see Table 4 and Figure 8). Offenses in the Drug and Violent categories continue to be cleared at high rates (93.7% and 71.7%, respectively). Overall, 49.3% of all offenses committed in 2019 were cleared by the end of the year. Trends since 2008 can be seen in Figure 8.

Total arrests in the county were 21.3% lower compared to 2015 (see Table 5 and Figure 8). Juvenile arrests showed an overall decrease of 25.7% decrease overall. The number of adult arrests decreased 20.7%. Trends in arrests since 2008 can also be seen in Figure 8.

2019 data showed an overall mixed trend in the number of law enforcement officers assaulted. No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2019. A notable point within the data was a record 23 attempted homicides on officers in 2017. There was only one attempted homicide of an officer in the other four years combined. This is mainly attributed to the murder of a state trooper in 2017 and a subsequent standoff with police where the subject fired multiple rounds at responding officers. Assault-related offenses are still cleared at very high rates (93.9%), which is in line with previous years. Long-term trends in assaults against law enforcement officers in the county can be found in Figure 5 (presented in the Delaware Serious Crime At-a-Glance section located earlier in this report).

Table 4: New Castle County Serious Crime Summary, 2015 – 2019

Serious Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Violent Offenses	11,667	11,023	10,374	9,948	9,588			
Percent Cleared	67.5%	65.6%	64.8%	68.7%	71.7%			
Serious Property Offenses	15,554	16,839	14,454	14,274	13,643			
Percent Cleared	28.0%	26.3%	24.7%	22.6%	25.1%			
Drug Offenses	5,429	4,976	5,015	5,509	6,109			
Percent Cleared	93.8%	90.7%	91.2%	93.7%	93.7%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	13,009	13,966	12,716	12,423	11,923			
Percent Cleared	36.7%	35.1%	35.5%	32.4%	36.2%			
Total Offenses Received	45,659	46,804	42,559	42,154	41,263			
Percent Cleared	48.4%	45.0%	45.5%	45.6%	49.3%			
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Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
New Castle County Population	556,786	556,786 560,147 564,193 564,568		562,694					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Violent Offenses	21.0	19.7	18.4	17.6	17.0				
Serious Property Offenses	27.9	30.1	25.6	25.3	24.2				
Drug Offenses	9.8	8.9	8.9	9.8	10.9				
Other Property, Social Offenses	23.4	24.9	22.5	22.0	21.2				
Total Offenses Received	82.0	83.6	75.4	74.7	73.3				

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received									
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 – 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19			
Violent Offenses	-5.5%	-5.9%	-4.1%	-3.6%	-17.8%	-10.8%			
Serious Property Offenses	8.3%	-14.2%	-1.3%	-4.4%	-12.3%	-10.7%			
Drug Offenses	-8.3%	0.8%	9.9%	10.9%	12.5%	16.8%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	7.4%	-9.0%	-2.3%	-4.0%	-8.3%	-8.5%			
Total Offenses Received	2.5%	-9.1%	-1.0%	-2.1%	-9.6%	-6.8%			

Table 5: New Castle County Arrests for Serious Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Arrests for Serious Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Total Arrests	15,213	13,941	12,119	11,319	11,967			
Violent Offenses	5,735	5,404	5,011	4,999	5,187			
Serious Property Offenses	3,944	3,839	3,001	2,596	2,734			
Drug Offenses	3,452	2,517	2,091	2,020	2,199			
Other Property and Social Offenses	2,082	2,181	2,016	1,704	1,847			
Total Adult Arrests	13,312	12,213	10,658	10,072	10,555			
Violent Offenses	4,819	4,577	4,303	4,369	4,465			
Serious Property Offenses	3,464	3,422	2,637	2,286	2,381			
Drug Offenses	3,228	2,338	1,913	1,890	2,077			
Other Property and Social Offenses	1,801	1,876	1,805	1,527	1,632			
Total Juvenile Arrests	1,901	1,728	1,461	1,247	1,412			
Violent Offenses	916	827	708	630	722			
Serious Property Offenses	480	417	364	310	353			
Drug Offenses	224	179	178	130	122			
Other Property and Social Offenses	281	305	211	177	215			

Table 6: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019							
Officers Assaulted	221	214	233	222	247			
Officers Killed	0	0	2	0	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	23	0	0			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	14.9%	16.8%	17.1%	15.3%	18.6%			
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	95.5%	96.3%	90.1%	91.9%	93.9%			

Note: The majority (18) of the increase in "Attempted Homicides on Officers" from 2016 to 2017 is attributable to the fatal shooting of an officer and the subsequent stand-off that involved the subject shooting at multiple responding officers.

Figure 6: Serious Crime in New Castle County by Category, 2008 – 2019

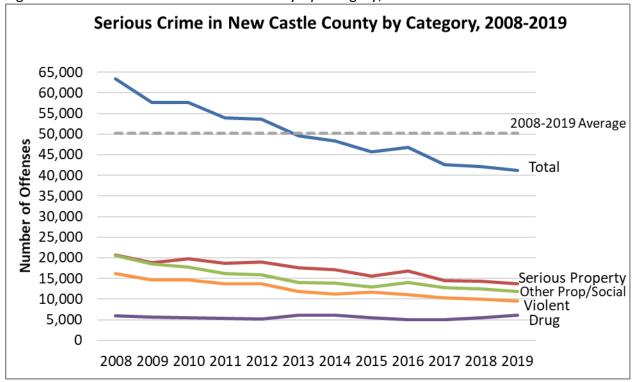
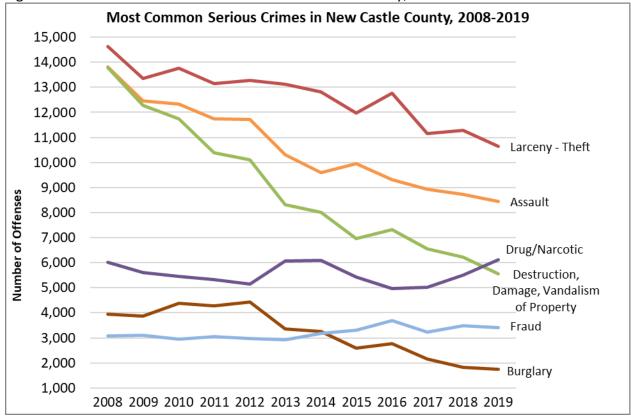


Figure 7: Most Common Serious Crimes in New Castle County, 2008 – 2019



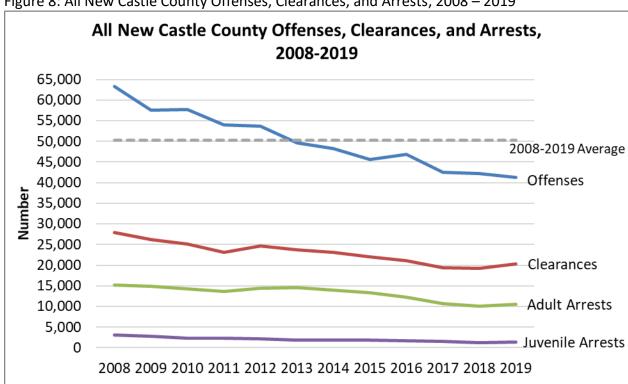


Figure 8: All New Castle County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Kent County Serious Crime At-a-Glance, 2015 – 2019

Overall, there were 1,986 fewer reported serious Group A Offenses in Kent County in 2019 compared to 2015, a decline of 11.4% (see Table 7 and Figure 9). Three of the four crime categories— Serious Property Offenses, Other Property and Social Offenses, and Violent Offenses—were lower compared to 2015, with declines of 16%, 14%, and 11%, respectively. Drug Offenses increased just over 1% over the same period.

Serious Property Offenses were the most frequently reported category of crime in Kent County in 2019 (29.4%), followed by Violent Offenses (26.3%), Other Property and Social Offenses (26.2%), and Total Drug/Narcotic Offenses (18.1%). These proportions are similar to those from 2015, except for Total Drug Offenses, which represented a larger proportion of offenses in 2019.

The most frequently reported offenses for the county in 2019 were Larceny; Assault; Drug/Narcotic; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Fraud; and Burglary. Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism, Burglary, and Larceny Offenses showed a downward trend since 2008 but rose in 2019 (see Figure 10). Drug/Narcotic Offenses increased sharply from 2016 to 2017 but the long-term trend has been mixed. Figure 10 portrays the long-term trends of offenses since 2008.

Based on 2019 data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2015 through 2018 (see Table 7 and Figure 11). Offenses in the Drug and Violent categories continue to be cleared at high rates (96.5% and 82.5%, respectively). Overall, 63.1% of all offenses committed in 2019 had been cleared by the end of the calendar year. Trends since 2008 can be seen in Figure 11.

The total number of arrests in the county decreased by 19.5% from 2015 through 2019 continuing a long downward trend (see Table 8 and Figure 11). Arrests for all offense categories declined since 2015, most noticeably in Drug Offenses (32.3%). Trends in arrests since 2008 are shown in Figure 11.

2019 data indicate that there were the 2nd most assaults against law enforcement officers for the report period (see Table 9). No officers were killed in the line of duty during 99 assaults in 2019 but there was 1 attempted homicide of a law enforcement officer. Almost all assaults against law enforcement officers in Kent County were cleared by the end of the calendar year (94.9%). Long-term trends in assaults against law enforcement officers in the county can be found in Figure 5 (presented in the Delaware Serious Crime At-a-Glance section located earlier in this report).

Table 7: Kent County Serious Crime Summary, 2015 – 2019									
Serious Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Violent Offenses	4,608	4,649	4,041	3,997	4,083				
Percent Cleared	85.9%	84.0%	84.6%	82.9%	82.5%				
Serious Property Offenses	5,408	5,164	4,643	4,406	4,556				
Percent Cleared	39.2%	38.2%	39.5%	37.9%	39.7%				
Drug Offenses	2,774	2,669	2,910	2,861	2,804				
Percent Cleared	94.5%	96.0%	94.6%	94.9%	96.5%				
Other Property, Social Offenses	4,697	4,736	4,467	4,001	4,058				
Percent Cleared	51.5%	49.6%	51.7%	45.1%	46.9%				
Total Offenses Received	17,487	17,218	16,061	15,265	15,501				
Percent Cleared	63.6%	62.7%	64.2%	62.3%	63.1%				
Crime Rates for	r Serious Offer	nses Receive	d per 1,000 P	eople					
Kent County Population	173,529	175,110	180,610	180,396	178,019				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Violent Offenses	26.6	26.6	22.4	22.2	22.9				
Serious Property Offenses	31.2	29.5	25.7	24.4	25.6				
Drug Offenses	16.0	15.2	16.1	15.9	15.8				

Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People							
173,529	175,110	180,610	180,610 180,396				
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
26.6	26.6	22.4	22.2	22.9			
31.2	29.5	25.7	24.4	25.6			
16.0	15.2	16.1	15.9	15.8			
27.1	27.1	24.7	22.2	22.8			
100.8	98.3	88.9	84.6	87.1			
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Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received										
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19				
Violent Offenses	0.9%	-13.1%	-1.1%	2.2%	-11.4%	-5.6%				
Serious Property Offenses	-4.5%	-10.1%	-5.1%	3.4%	-15.8%	-7.1%				
Drug Offenses	-3.8%	9.0%	-1.7%	-2.0%	1.1%	0.0%				
Other Property, Social Offenses	0.8%	-5.7%	-10.4%	1.4%	-13.6%	-9.3%				
Total Offenses Received	-1.5%	-6.7%	-5.0%	1.5%	-11.4%	-6.1%				

Table 8: Kent County Arrests for Serious Offenses, 2015 - 2019

Kent County Arrests for Serious Offenses									
	2015	2015 2016 2017		2018	2019				
Total Arrests	6,228	5,974	5,613	4,975	5,016				
Violent Offenses	2,028	2,089	1,817	1,726	1,797				
Serious Property Offenses	1,768	1,647	1,563	1,349	1,409				
Drug Offenses	1,514	1,280	1,303	1,142	1,025				
Other Property and Social Offenses	918	958	930	758	785				
Total Adult Arrests	5,541	5,289	5,038	4,429	4,510				
Violent Offenses	1,709	1,764	1,548	1,461	1,537				
Serious Property Offenses	1,577	1,483	1,407	1,213	1,303				
Drug Offenses	1,427	1,202	1,227	1,082	963				
Other Property and Social Offenses	828	840	856	673	707				
Total Juvenile Arrests	687	685	575	546	506				
Violent Offenses	319	325	269	265	260				
Serious Property Offenses	191	164	156	136	106				
Drug Offenses	87	78	76	60	62				
Other Property and Social Offenses	90	118	74	85	78				

Table 9: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Kent County, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019							
Officers Assaulted	71	77	82	103	99			
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	1	1	0	1			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	21.1%	22.1%	23.2%	17.5%	18.2%			
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	100.0%	98.7%	100.0%	97.1%	94.9%			

Figure 9: Serious Crime in Kent County by Category, 2008 – 2019

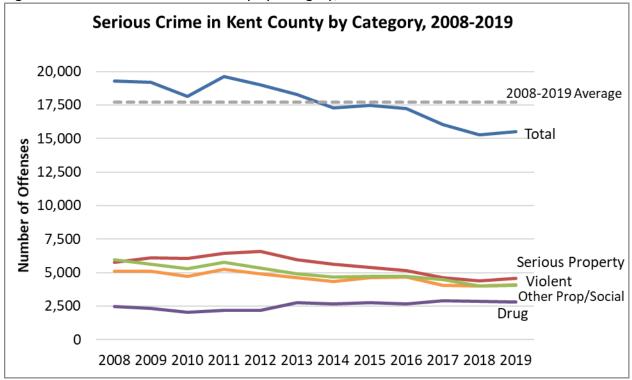
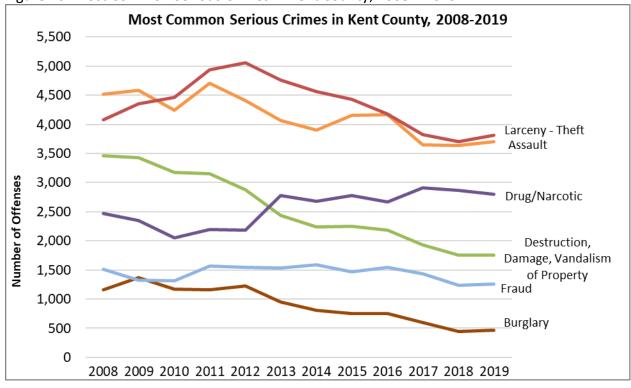


Figure 10: Most Common Serious Crimes in Kent County, 2008 – 2019



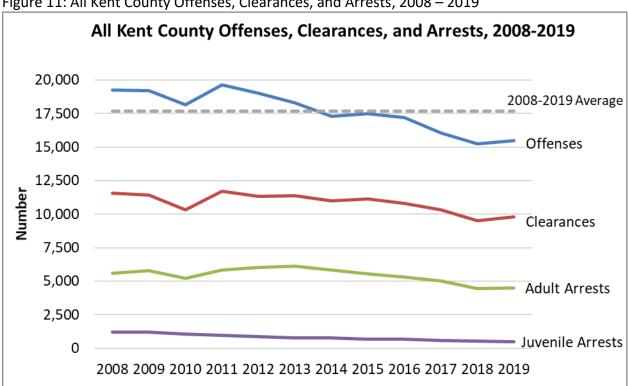


Figure 11: All Kent County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Sussex County Serious Crime At-a-Glance, 2015 – 2019

Overall, there were 1,352 fewer reported serious Group A Offenses in Sussex County in 2019 compared to 2015, a decrease of 6.8% (see Table 10 and Figure 12). Three of the four crime categories—Violent Offenses, Other Property and Social Offenses, and Serious Property Offenses—decreased compared to 2015 (4.0%, 14.3%, and 20.4%, respectively). The number of Total Drug/Narcotic Offenses however, increased 25.6% from 2015 and 19.9% from 2018. Long-term trends in offenses since 2008 are also presented in Figure 12.

Other Property & Social Offenses were the most frequent reported category in 2019 (26.8%). Serious Property Offenses made up 25.1%, Violent Offenses accounted for 24.9% and Total Drug Offenses covered 23.0%. While all other offenses have been decreasing, Drug Offenses overall have been climbing in recent years and showed a sudden increase from 2018 to 2019.

The most frequently reported offenses in the county in 2019 were Assault; Drug/Narcotic; Larceny; Destruction, Damage, and Vandalism of Property; Fraud and Burglary. Drug Offenses have shown an overall increasing trend since 2015 and has climbed to pass Assault as the most common offense in the county. Assault Offense trends have been mixed, but over the long term have been decreasing. Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism Offenses continue a long downward trend. Burglary Offenses also show a decrease while Fraud has been relatively mixed since 2014. Figure 13 also portrays the long-term trends in these offenses since 2008.

Based on 2019 data, offenses in all crime categories were cleared at rates comparable to or better than the rates from 2015 through 2018 (see Table 10 and Figure 14). Drug and Violent Offenses continue to be cleared at high rates (98.2% and 85.5%, respectively). It should be noted that, while Total Drug Offenses increased almost 20% from 2018 to 2019, their clearance rate is the highest for the report period. Overall, 65.2% of all offenses committed in 2019 had been cleared by the end of the calendar year. Trends since 2008 can be seen in Figure 14.

The number of all arrests decreased 16.5% from 2015 to 2019. All 2019 Main Offense category arrests decreased from 2015 arrest totals. Drug arrest trends have been declining, most likely due to marijuana statute changes, but increased 17.2% from 2018 to 2019. This mirrors the almost 20% increase in Drug Offenses. Arrest trends since 2008 can also be seen in Figure 14.

2019 data shows that assaults against law enforcement officers in the county have increased since 2015, but the 5-year pattern is mixed (see Table 12). No officers were killed in the line of duty in 2019 and there were 102 assaults against officers. The vast majority of assaults against law enforcement officers were cleared by the end of the calendar year (95.1%). Long-term trends in assaults against law enforcement officers in the county can be found in Figure 5 (presented in the Delaware Serious Crime at-a-Glance section located earlier in this report).

Table 10: Sussex County Serious Crime Summary, 2015 – 2019

Serious Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Violent Offenses	4,826	4,671	4,700	4,739	4,635			
Percent Cleared	85.1%	84.5%	84.9%	85.0%	85.5%			
Serious Property Offenses	5,872	5,562	5,201	4,740	4,673			
Percent Cleared	37.1%	40.6%	39.3%	39.1%	38.8%			
Drug Offenses	3,410	3,275	3,620	3,570	4,282			
Percent Cleared	96.4%	95.3%	96.4%	98.1%	98.2%			
Other Property, Social Offenses	5,828	5,812	5,593	5,016	4,994			
Percent Cleared	48.3%	47.3%	46.4%	44.7%	42.9%			
Total Offenses Received	19,936	19,320	19,114	18,065	18,584			
Percent Cleared	62.1%	62.5%	63.4%	64.4%	65.2%			

Crime Rates for Serious Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Sussex County Population	215,622	218,820	223,010	229,087	231,619				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Violent Offenses	22.4	21.4	21.1	20.7	20.0				
Serious Property Offenses	27.2	25.4	23.3	20.7	20.2				
Drug Offenses	15.8	15.0	16.2	15.6	18.5				
Other Property, Social Offenses	27.0	26.6	25.1	21.9	21.6				
Total Offenses Received	92.5	88.3	85.7	78.9	80.2				

Percentage Difference in Serious Offenses Received									
	15 – 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 – 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19			
Violent Offenses	-3.2%	0.6%	0.8%	-2.19%	-4.0%	-2.1%			
Serious Property Offenses	-5.3%	-6.5%	-8.9%	-1.41%	-20.4%	-12.6%			
Drug Offenses	-4.0%	10.5%	-1.4%	19.9%	25.6%	23.4%			
Other Property/Social Offenses	-0.3%	-3.8%	-10.3%	-0.4%	-14.3%	-10.2%			
Total Offenses Received	-3.1%	-1.1%	-5.5%	2.9%	-6.8%	-2.7%			

Table 11: Sussex County Arrests for Serious Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Arrests for Serious Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Total Arrests	6,553	6,124	6,007	5,401	5,473			
Violent Offenses	1,745	1,820	1,763	1,768	1,715			
Serious Property Offenses	1,730	1,732	1,637	1,393	1,365			
Drug Offenses	2,050	1,503	1,534	1,351	1,583			
Other Property and Social Offenses	1,028	1,069	1,073	889	810			
Total Adult Arrests	5,939	5,529	5,407	4,915	5,013			
Violent Offenses	1,502	1,569	1,505	1,534	1,500			
Serious Property Offenses	1,561	1,582	1,486	1,294	1,261			
Drug Offenses	1,932	1,397	1,437	1,253	1,501			
Other Property and Social Offenses	944	981	979	834	751			
Total Juvenile Arrests	614	595	600	486	460			
Violent Offenses	243	251	258	234	215			
Serious Property Offenses	169	150	151	99	104			
Drug Offenses	118	106	97	98	82			
Other Property and Social Offenses	84	88	94	55	59			

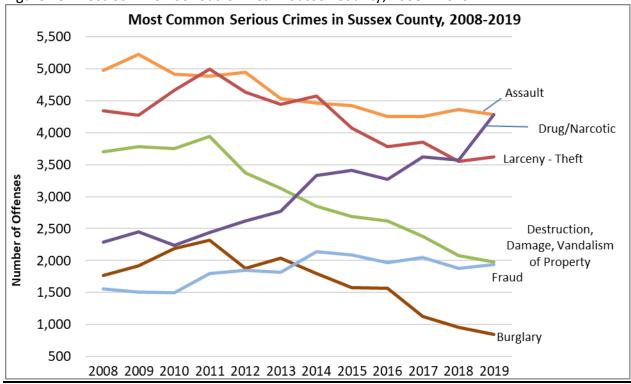
Table 12: Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Sussex County, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019								
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019								
Officers Assaulted	94	123	92	100	102			
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0			
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	0	0	0			
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury 22.3% 20.3% 12.0% 19.0% 27.								
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	94.7%	97.6%	96.7%	93.0%	95.1%			

Serious Crime in Sussex County by Category, 2008-2019 22,500 2008-2019 Average 20,000 Total 17,500 15,000 12,500 Number of 10,000 7,500 Other Prop/Social 5,000 Serious Property Violent 2,500 Drug 0 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

Figure 12: Serious Crime in Sussex County by Category, 2008 – 2019





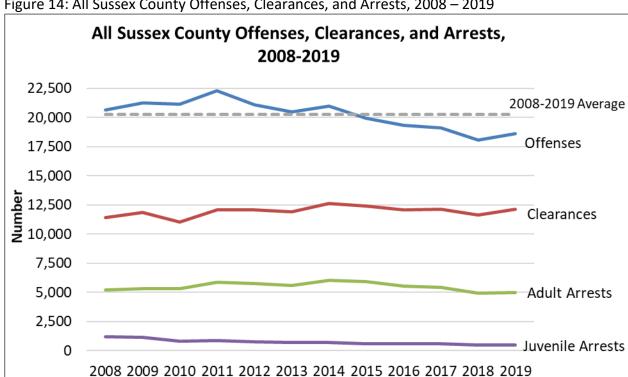


Figure 14: All Sussex County Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

A DETAILED LOOK AT SERIOUS CRIME IN DELAWARE

The following sections provide more detailed information about serious crime in Delaware. Each section has a single topic focus: one of the four crime categories and violent crimes against law enforcement officers. Within each crime category section, statewide data on offenses, clearances, and arrests are presented first, followed by the same data for each county. The section on crimes against law enforcement officers presents the state and county data relevant to this topic.

Note to the reader

Crime in Delaware in previous years made a distinction between "Preliminary data" and "Final data." This was due to the fact that offense totals would fluctuate for 12-18 months after the reporting period ended. In recent years this fluctuate has decreased to as low as 0.2% which is statistically inconsequential. Due to this reduction in offense total fluctuations, all data is considered "Final" once it is initially reported by SBI. As each year's offenses are reported by SBI, data stability checks will be conducted to verify the fluctuations have stayed at a very low rate.

As noted earlier in this report, please use caution when comparing Delaware's data to national data or those for other states. Crime data, particularly crime rates, are best understood in the context of other data.

Delaware Violent Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Violent Offenses were 13.2% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The two most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Assault and Robbery—experienced declines of 11.4% and 40.2%, respectively. Of special note:

- 2019 data indicate the number of Criminal Homicide Offenses (52) was the lowest for the five-year report period compared to a high (66) in 2015
- Starting in 2019, Vehicular Homicides are included in the NIBRS Homicide totals. They
 previously were not included. This accounted for 3 Homicides in 2019.
- Aggravated Assaults have decreased overall but those involving a Firearm have increased 26.6% from 2018 to 2019.

Most Kidnapping, Assault, and Forcible Sex Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Forty-three percent of Robbery and just over 40% of Homicide Offenses were cleared during that period. Violent Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years. Homicides tend to be cleared at a lower rate due to the time involved to investigate them.

Tables 13–19 and Figure 15 provide information about Statewide Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 15.

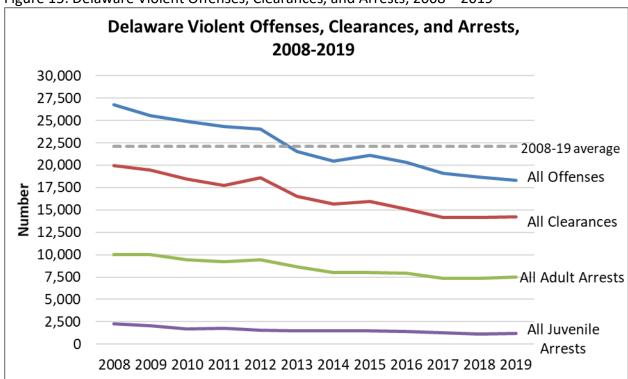


Figure 15: Delaware Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 13: Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Violent Of	fenses and	Clearances	, 2015 – 201	19	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Violent Offenses	21,101	20,343	19,115	18,684	18,306
Percent Cleared	75.5%	74.1%	73.9%	75.9%	77.6%
Criminal Homicide	66	61	53	48	52
Percent Cleared	53.0%	49.2%	49.1%	60.4%	40.4%
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	63	57	53	48	48
Percent Cleared	52.4%	45.6%	49.1%	60.4%	37.5%
Negligent Manslaughter	3	4	0	0	4
Percent Cleared	66.7%	100.0%	N/A	N/A	75.0%
Human Trafficking	0	13	5	4	25
Percent Cleared	N/A	84.6%	100.0%	25.0%	28.0%
Commercial Sex Act	0	13	4	3	15
Percent Cleared	N/A	84.6%	100.0%	33.3%	33.3%
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	1	1	10
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	100.0%	0.0%	20.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	286	271	265	221	248
Percent Cleared	82.2%	83.4%	78.9%	82.4%	85.9%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	805	731	765	749	715
Percent Cleared	63.0%	61.6%	58.8%	61.1%	56.1%
Rape by Force	275	227	230	254	258
Percent Cleared	54.9%	51.1%	59.6%	63.0%	55.0%
Rape by Force - Attempted	6	8	16	11	6
Percent Cleared	83.3%	75.0%	68.8%	81.8%	83.3%
Forcible Sodomy	73	43	55	42	40
Percent Cleared	78.1%	69.8%	63.6%	78.6%	55.0%
Sexual Assault with Object	33	25	27	29	29
Percent Cleared	87.9%	72.0%	70.4%	41.4%	65.5%
Forcible Fondling	414	423	433	408	378
Percent Cleared	63.0%	65.5%	56.8%	59.1%	55.8%
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	4	5	4	5	4
Percent Cleared	100.0%	60.0%	50.0%	60.0%	50.0%

Table 13: Statewide Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019 (Continued)

Statewide Violent Offenses	and Cleara	nces, 2015	– 2019 (C o	ntinued)	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Robbery	1,420	1,523	1,195	949	849
Percent Cleared	37.9%	36.5%	40.0%	43.4%	43.2%
Firearm	763	772	583	405	324
Percent Cleared	34.3%	29.9%	38.3%	40.5%	35.5%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	80	103	104	64	97
Percent Cleared	33.8%	35.9%	42.3%	54.7%	49.5%
Other Dangerous Weapon	93	111	67	76	76
Percent Cleared	53.8%	41.4%	49.3%	51.3%	50.0%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	484	537	441	404	352
Percent Cleared	41.1%	45.1%	40.4%	43.1%	47.2%
Assault	18,524	17,744	16,832	16,713	16,417
Percent Cleared	78.9%	77.8%	77.0%	78.3%	80.4%
Aggravated	3,289	3,286	2,975	2,932	3,012
Percent Cleared	68.6%	65.7%	65.2%	69.4%	67.1%
Firearm	1,068	1,174	1,016	897	1,136
Percent Cleared	44.8%	41.4%	43.1%	49.7%	45.5%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	607	593	543	613	533
Percent Cleared	85.0%	82.8%	80.8%	82.2%	83.9%
Other Dangerous Weapons	1,213	1,130	1,106	1,103	1,062
Percent Cleared	80.1%	79.4%	76.3%	77.8%	79.8%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	401	389	310	319	281
Percent Cleared	72.1%	73.0%	70.6%	71.2%	74.4%
Other Assaults	15,235	14,458	13,857	13,781	13,405
Percent Cleared	81.2%	80.6%	79.6%	80.2%	83.3%
Simple/Harassment	11,708	11,339	10,908	10,851	10,756
Percent Cleared	83.7%	83.5%	82.6%	82.7%	85.8%
Intimidation	3,527	3,119	2,949	2,930	2,649
Percent Cleared	72.8%	70.0%	68.4%	71.1%	73.2%

Table 14: Percentage Difference in Statewide Violent Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Diffe	erence in S	tatewide \	/iolent Off	enses Rec	eived	
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19
All Violent Offenses	-3.6%	-6.0%	-2.3%	-2.0%	-13.2%	-7.6%
Criminal Homicide	-7.6%	-13.1%	-9.4%	8.3%	-21.2%	-8.8%
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-9.5%	-7.0%	-9.4%	0.0%	-23.8%	-13.1%
Negligent Manslaughter	33.3%	-100.0%	0.0%	400.0%	33.3%	128.6%
Human Trafficking	1300.0%	-61.5%	-20.0%	525.0%	2500.0%	354.5%
Commercial Sex Act	1300.0%	-69.2%	-25.0%	400.0%	1500.0%	200.0%
Involuntary Servitude	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	900.0%	1000.0%	1900.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	-5.2%	-2.2%	-16.6%	12.2%	-13.3%	-4.9%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-9.2%	4.7%	-2.1%	-4.5%	-11.2%	-6.2%
Rape by Force	-17.5%	1.3%	10.4%	1.6%	-6.2%	4.7%
Rape by Force - Attempted	33.3%	100.0%	-31.3%	-45.5%	0.0%	-41.5%
Forcible Sodomy	-41.1%	27.9%	-23.6%	-4.8%	-45.2%	-24.9%
Sexual Assault with Object	-24.2%	8.0%	7.4%	0.0%	-12.1%	1.8%
Forcible Fondling	2.2%	2.4%	-5.8%	-7.4%	-8.7%	-9.9%
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	25.0%	-20.0%	25.0%	-20.0%	0.0%	-11.1%
Robbery	7.3%	-21.5%	-20.6%	-10.5%	-40.2%	-33.2%
Firearm	1.2%	-24.5%	-30.5%	-20.0%	-57.5%	-48.6%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	28.8%	1.0%	-38.5%	51.6%	21.3%	10.5%
Other Dangerous Weapon	19.4%	-39.6%	13.4%	0.0%	-18.3%	-12.4%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	11.0%	-17.9%	-8.4%	-12.9%	-27.3%	-24.5%
Assault	-4.2%	-5.1%	-0.7%	-1.8%	-11.4%	-5.9%
Aggravated	-0.1%	-9.5%	-1.5%	2.7%	-8.4%	-3.5%
Firearm	9.9%	-13.5%	-11.7%	26.6%	6.4%	9.4%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-2.3%	-8.4%	12.9%	-13.1%	-12.2%	-9.5%
Other Dangerous Weapons	-6.8%	-2.1%	-0.3%	-3.7%	-12.4%	-6.7%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggr. Injury	-3.0%	-20.3%	2.9%	-11.9%	-29.9%	-20.8%
Other Assaults	-5.1%	-4.2%	-0.6%	-2.7%	-12.0%	-6.5%
Simple/Harassment	-3.2%	-3.8%	-0.5%	-0.9%	-8.1%	-4.0%
Intimidation	-11.6%	-5.5%	-0.6%	-9.6%	-24.9%	-15.4%

Table 15: Crime Rates for Delaware Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 19

Crime Rates for Dela	Crime Rates for Delaware Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
Delaware Population	945,937	954,077	967,813	974,051	972,332				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
All Violent Offenses	22.3	21.3	19.8	19.2	18.8				
Criminal Homicide	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1	<0.1				
Human Trafficking	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Commercial Sex Act	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Involuntary Servitude	0.0	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7				
Rape by Force	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3				
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Forcible Sodomy	0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Sexual Assault with Object	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Forcible Fondling	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Robbery	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.0	0.9				
Firearm	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4				
Assault	19.6	18.6	17.4	17.2	16.9				
Aggravated	3.5	3.4	3.1	3.0	3.1				
Firearm	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.2				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5				
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggravated Injury	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3				
Other Assaults	16.1	15.2	14.3	14.1	13.8				
Simple/Harassment	12.4	11.9	11.3	11.1	11.1				
Intimidation	3.7	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.7				

Delaware Violent Offense Arrests

Table 16: Total Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Adı	ult Arrests –	Violent Of	fenses		
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	51	25	41	32	16
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	51	24	41	31	15
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	1	1
Human Trafficking	0	3	1	0	1
Commercial Sex Act	0	3	1	0	1
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	191	201	190	163	194
Sex Offenses, Forcible	141	114	118	129	129
Rape by Force	50	36	38	47	49
Rape by Force - Attempted	1	1	4	2	3
Forcible Sodomy	10	8	9	11	6
Sexual Assault with Object	7	4	2	4	4
Forcible Fondling	73	64	64	64	66
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	1	1	1
Robbery	399	410	391	307	279
Firearm	172	161	181	103	82
Knife or Cutting Instrument	18	32	33	20	31
Other Dangerous Weapon	42	34	21	31	27
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	167	183	156	153	139
Assault	7,248	7,157	6,615	6,733	6,883
Aggravated	1,392	1,430	1,232	1,292	1,238
Firearm	197	230	186	216	221
Knife or Cutting Instrument	344	328	307	345	303
Other Dangerous Weapons	642	633	559	552	539
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	209	239	180	179	175
Other Assaults	5,856	5,727	5,383	5,441	5,645
Simple/Harassment	4,693	4,688	4,402	4,485	4,705
Intimidation	1,163	1,039	981	956	940

Table 17: Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Adult Arrests for	Violent Offense	s by Gende	r, Race, an	d Ethnicity	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	51	25	41	32	16
Percent Male	84.3%	84.0%	92.7%	93.8%	87.5%
Percent White	13.7%	48.0%	19.5%	21.9%	25.0%
Percent Black	84.3%	52.0%	80.5%	78.1%	75.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.0%	4.0%	4.9%	6.3%	6.3%
Kidnapping/Abduction	191	201	190	163	194
Percent Male	91.1%	91.0%	91.1%	88.3%	88.7%
Percent White	39.3%	44.3%	51.1%	43.6%	45.4%
Percent Black	60.2%	55.2%	47.9%	55.8%	53.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	7.5%	3.7%	5.5%	8.2%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	141	115	118	129	129
Percent Male	96.5%	96.5%	94.9%	98.5%	98.4%
Percent White	68.8%	65.2%	50.0%	53.6%	52.7%
Percent Black	29.8%	33.9%	46.6%	46.6%	45.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	14.9%	18.3%	13.6%	14.7%	17.1%
Robbery	399	410	391	307	279
Percent Male	81.5%	82.2%	89.0%	85.3%	82.1%
Percent White	37.6%	37.6%	29.4%	32.9%	24.7%
Percent Black	61.9%	62.2%	70.3%	67.1%	75.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	4.4%	3.3%	6.5%	7.2%
Assault	7,248	7,157	6,615	6,733	6,883
Aggravated	1,392	1,430	1,232	1,292	1,238
Percent Male	72.1%	67.1%	67.4%	65.4%	68.8%
Percent White	42.7%	40.8%	44.6%	40.8%	44.6%
Percent Black	56.8%	58.9%	54.3%	58.1%	54.2%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.5%	5.4%	7.0%	7.3%	8.1%
Other Assaults	5,856	5,727	5,383	5,441	5,645
Percent Male	71.2%	70.9%	69.0%	70.8%	69.1%
Percent White	48.4%	46.8%	47.2%	48.6%	46.7%
Percent Black	51.0%	52.4%	52.0%	50.7%	52.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.8%	5.8%	6.0%	6.4%	6.3%

Table 18: Total Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Criminal Homicide	1	6	2	2	0		
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	5	1	2	0		
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	1	0	0		
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0		
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	0		
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0		
Kidnapping/Abduction	9	5	6	5	13		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	35	42	53	41	34		
Rape by Force	12	18	17	10	10		
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	0	0	0	1		
Forcible Sodomy	6	1	6	3	2		
Sexual Assault with Object	2	1	1	1	1		
Forcible Fondling	14	21	28	27	19		
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	1	1	1	0	1		
Robbery	116	121	81	87	111		
Firearm	48	48	39	25	42		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1	3	0	7	11		
Other Dangerous Weapon	12	9	8	10	12		
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	55	61	34	45	46		
Assault	1,317	1,229	1,093	994	1,039		
Aggravated	266	213	181	202	200		
Firearm	36	35	27	34	30		
Knife or Cutting Instrument	66	48	47	52	43		
Other Dangerous Weapons	113	82	68	75	79		
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggravated Injury	51	48	39	41	48		
Other Assaults	1,051	1,016	912	792	839		
Simple/Harassment	870	865	775	666	712		
Intimidation	181	151	137	126	127		

Table 19: Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests f	Statewide Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Criminal Homicide	1	6	2	2	0				
Percent Male	100.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A				
Percent White	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A				
Percent Black	100.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A				
Kidnapping/Abduction	9	5	6	5	13				
Percent Male	88.9%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	92.3%				
Percent White	22.2%	40.0%	66.7%	40.0%	15.4%				
Percent Black	77.8%	60.0%	33.3%	60.0%	84.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	35	42	53	41	34				
Percent Male	97.1%	100.0%	96.2%	92.7%	100.0%				
Percent White	42.9%	35.7%	54.7%	36.6%	50.0%				
Percent Black	57.1%	64.3%	43.4%	58.5%	50.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.6%	7.1%	7.5%	2.4%	2.9%				
Robbery	116	121	81	87	111				
Percent Male	94.0%	87.6%	86.4%	95.4%	94.6%				
Percent White	19.0%	15.7%	18.5%	12.6%	18.9%				
Percent Black	78.4%	83.5%	81.5%	87.4%	81.1%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	6.6%	4.9%	3.4%	5.4%				
Assault	1,317	1,229	1,093	994	1,039				
Aggravated	266	213	181	202	200				
Percent Male	78.6%	74.2%	74.0%	66.8%	79.0%				
Percent White	27.4%	22.1%	29.8%	31.2%	33.0%				
Percent Black	71.1%	77.9%	69.6%	68.3%	65.5%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.4%	3.8%	6.1%	7.4%	8.0%				
Other Assaults	1,051	1,016	912	792	839				
Percent Male	62.9%	57.5%	60.2%	58.3%	58.9%				
Percent White	31.5%	30.9%	31.7%	33.8%	28.7%				
Percent Black	67.7%	68.5%	67.4%	65.4%	70.8%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.8%	6.5%	6.7%	7.7%	6.2%				

Homicides in Delaware: A Look at NIBRS Data and Beyond

The 52 total individual homicides reported in 2019 was an increase from 48 homicides in 2018 but remains below the report period high in 2015 (66). Figure H1 shows Delaware homicides since 1970 (and includes the state's population growth for context).

Beginning in 2019, the FBI began counting Vehicular Homicide Offenses under the Criminally Negligent Homicide category. Those offenses were not previously included in the NIBRS Homicide summary totals. A review found 3 Homicides were included due to this change.

Homicides are serious and tragic crimes for victims, families, and the community. However, they should not be seen as an effective indicator of the extent of violent crime in Delaware. Instead, homicides need to be considered as a specific subset of violent crime, and in light of the appropriate and fuller contexts in which they occur.

This special section of the *Crime in Delaware* report is focused in exploring homicides more in depth. Included in this analysis are Delaware NIBRS data; more in-depth data the Delaware Statistical Analysis Center maintains on homicide incidents; and information from the Center's database on criminal shooting incidents.

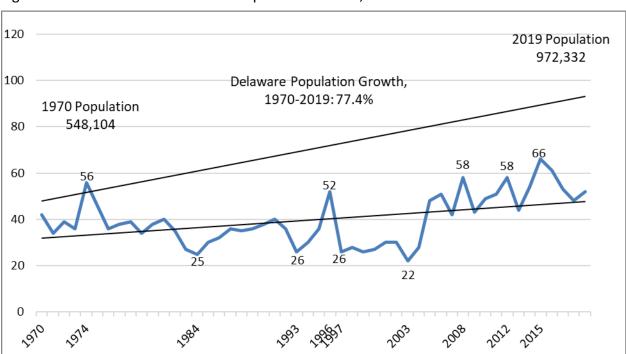


Figure H1: Homicides and Delaware Population Growth, 1970-2019

Homicide Incidents versus Homicide Offenses: The NIBRS data system counts homicide offenses (i.e., individuals killed) as opposed to the number of incidents in which at least one homicide offense was committed. To eliminate duplicate counts of suspects, victim-offender relationships, circumstances surrounding homicides, etc. and better analyze homicide data, the Center has tracked unique homicide incidents since 2006. These data (see Figure H2) reflect the same general pattern noted in the NIBRS for this period but are somewhat lower.

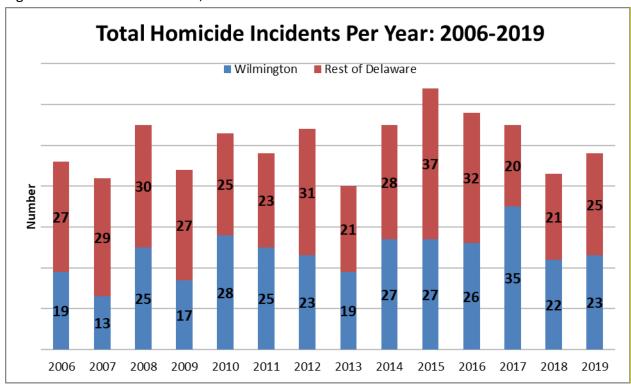


Figure H2: Homicide Incidents, 2006-2019

Delaware Homicide Victim and Offender Demographics: Based on Delaware's NIBRS data, the state's homicide victims from 2015 through 2019 have been predominantly males 18 to 34 years old (see Table 20). Most victims were identified as Black or African American and just under 4% Hispanic/Latino. Over three-fourths of known alleged offenders have been male and predominantly aged 18 to 34. Almost three-fourths of known offenders during that period have been Black or African American.

2019 population estimates by the U.S. Census Bureau indicate that Delaware was 48.5% male and 21.8% Black or African American. Based on the population data, males and Black/African Americans are substantially over-represented among both homicide victims and suspects.

Table 20: Demographics of Delaware Homicide Victims and Alleged Offenders, 2015 – 2019

Demographics of Delay	vare Homicio	le Victims a	nd Alleged (Offenders	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Homicide Victims	66	61	53	48	52
Percent Male	83.3%	80.3%	84.9%	70.8%	80.7%
Percent White	25.8%	33.0%	13.2%	22.9%	26.9%
Percent Black	74.2%	77.0%	84.9%	77.1%	73.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.5%	3.3%	5.7%	2.1%	3.8%
Average Age (in years)	29.9	31.4	27.6	29.5	32.7
Percent <18 years old	7.6%	8.2%	7.5%	16.7%	15.4%
Percent 18-34 years old	63.6%	65.6%	77.4%	43.8%	46.1%
Percent 35-50 years old	21.2%	13.1%	7.5%	31.3%	23.1%
Percent >50 years old	7.6%	16.1%	7.5%	8.3%	15.4%
Missing/Incomplete Information	0-1	0-3	0-1	0-1	0-1
Total Offenders	93	63	56	56	44
Percent Male	90.4%	82.6%	71.4%	87.5%	77.3%
Percent White	19.2%	23.8%	21.4%	19.6%	13.6%
Percent Black	79.5%	76.2%	64.3%	71.4%	72.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.9%	4.8%	3.6%	3.6%	2.3%
Average Age at Arrest (in years)	25.6	22.5	24.7	27.0	32.6
Percent <18 years old	2.7%	15.9%	3.6%	1.8%	0.0%
Percent 18-34 years old	86.3%	49.2%	57.1%	53.6%	43.2%
Percent 35-50 years old	8.2%	11.1%	19.6%	21.4%	11.4%
Percent >50 years old	2.7%	6.3%	3.6%	8.9%	6.8%
Missing/Incomplete Information	20-23	11-12	9-10	7-8	18-19

Note: In homicides where there is no offender information at all, an offender may not be listed in the homicide file. This in turn may suppress the number of offenders listed in comparison to the number of victims.

Insights about Delaware Homicide Incidents

The following are some select insights about homicides in Delaware based on the data sources mentioned earlier.

Homicides are a low base-rate crime; that is, they occur infrequently. Between 2015 and 2019, homicides represented just 0.06% - 0.08% of all NIBRS Group A offenses and 0.21% - 0.3% of all NIBRS Group A offenses in Wilmington. They also reflected 0.26% - .31% of Violent Offenses statewide and 0.69% - 1.02% of Violent Offenses in Wilmington. In 2019, homicides ranked 20th among the 24 NIBRS Offenses in terms of frequency of occurrence statewide, and 15th in Wilmington.

Most homicides are committed with a firearm. Examination of the Delaware SAC's homicide incident data indicates this percentage has generally ranged from 70-85% statewide and 80-95% in Wilmington (see Figure H3).

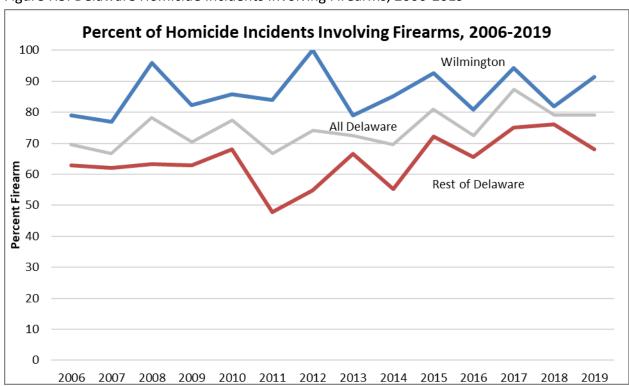


Figure H3: Delaware Homicide Incidents Involving Firearms, 2006-2019

There are no consistent year-to-year seasonal or monthly patterns in homicide occurrence. Examination of the SAC's homicide incident data reveals almost no discernible patterns by season or month across years. The absence of patterns is likely the result of two factors: the relative infrequency of incidents and the circumstances in which they occur (explored below).

Circumstances Surrounding Homicides. The Center's data on the circumstances surrounding homicides as a whole is quite limited. However, as stated above, a high proportion of homicide incidents are committed with a firearm. Homicides committed in this fashion are somewhat unique, given that: they do not require close contact with a victim; the injury potential of discharged rounds is substantial, but quite variable in terms of injuries created; and the relative ease by which a significant number of rounds can be fired.

Since shooting homicides are more closely tied to the path a bullet takes upon striking a victim, rather than the intent of the person who fired the weapon, the SAC's research on criminal shootings since 2011 provide the Center's best data relevant to the question of the circumstances surrounding homicides.

See the Center's shooting reports for more detailed information: https://sac.delaware.gov/crime/

Shootings are generally not random acts. Of 1,258 total shooting incidents from 2013 through 2018, 754 records had enough information to discern a motive or circumstances surrounding the shooting. Almost 60% involved an altercation, argument, dispute, or retaliation. Robbery appeared to be a motive in more than 25% of incidents. Drug-related activity was associated with almost one-third of the incidents. In almost 11% of incidents a bystander or unintended target was struck. Intimate partner violence was a factor in 5% of incidents

Most shooting incidents involve victims and suspects who know each other in some way. Based on 482 incidents from 2013 through 2018 where a victim-offender relationship could be determined, about one-third occurred among friends, family, acquaintances, or neighbors, with just over half being known to each other in some other way (e.g., by sight and nickname, but outside of any relationship).

<u>Criminal history appears to be a risk factor not just for committing a shooting, but also for being a victim of one</u>. Based on an examination of Delaware criminal histories for more than 1,600 victims and just over 950 identified suspects from incidents that occurred between 2011 and 2018, 95% of suspects and almost 90% of victims have a criminal history. Of those with a Delaware criminal history, more than 75% of each group had at least one felony arrest. More than 75% of each group had their first arrest as a juvenile (more than 40% of suspects and just over one-third of victims were younger than 14).

While criminal history is clearly associated with involvement in a shooting, there are likely several ways this history increases risk, including current involvement in criminal behavior, having personal or family relationships with those involved in criminal activity, and/or living and working in areas where there are higher levels of violent crime.

It is important to note that the above insights should not be generalized to homicides committed through other means. Cursory examination of non-firearm homicides suggests, for example, a higher proportion of incidents involving intimate partner violence than has been observed in the shooting data.

New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Violent Offenses in the County were 17.8% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The two most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Assault and Robbery experienced declines of 15.2% and 40.9% respectively. Following a slight increase in 2016, Robbery Offenses have declined considerably. Of special note:

- 2019 data indicate the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter Offenses (39) was a decrease of 18.8% from 2015 during which there was a report period high of 48. Vehicular Homicide being included in this category in 2019 did not add to the totals.
- Assault with a Firearm offenses rose 33.7% since 2018 which overshadowed multiple declines in that category. Robbery with a Firearm Offenses were 58.7% lower.
- Most Kidnapping and Assault Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. About half of all Forcible Sex Offenses were cleared.
- Thirty-one percent of Homicide Offenses and more 41% of Robbery Offenses were cleared during that period. Violent Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to the previous four years.

Tables 21 – 27 and Figure 16 provide detailed information about New Castle County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 16.

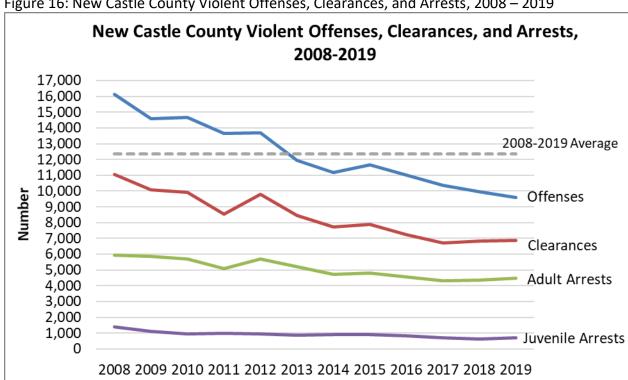


Figure 16: New Castle County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 21: New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
All Violent Offenses	11,667	11,023	10,374	9,948	9,588			
Percent Cleared	67.5%	65.6%	64.8%	68.7%	71.7%			
Criminal Homicide	48	46	43	36	39			
Percent Cleared	45.8%	50.0%	44.2%	50.0%	30.8%			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	45	44	43	36	38			
Percent Cleared	44.4%	47.7%	44.2%	50.0%	28.9%			
Negligent Manslaughter	3	2	0	0	1			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Human Trafficking	0	1	0	1	7			
Percent Cleared	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	71.4%			
Commercial Sex Act	0	1	0	0	7			
Percent Cleared	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A	71.4%			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	1	0			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A			
Kidnapping/Abduction	170	153	164	119	122			
Percent Cleared	78.2%	81.7%	73.8%	80.7%	84.4%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	380	326	313	343	323			
Percent Cleared	51.1%	50.6%	43.5%	53.9%	53.3%			
Rape by Force	160	107	95	126	142			
Percent Cleared	45.6%	43.9%	41.1%	60.3%	57.7%			
Rape by Force - Attempted	2	5	7	2	4			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	80.0%	71.4%	50.0%	75.0%			
Forcible Sodomy	18	11	9	13	14			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	63.6%	55.6%	84.6%	64.3%			
Sexual Assault with Object	7	12	5	5	7			
Percent Cleared	71.4%	66.7%	20.0%	20.0%	57.1%			
Forcible Fondling	191	189	195	195	155			
Percent Cleared	52.4%	51.9%	43.6%	48.7%	47.7%			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	2	2	2	2	1			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	50.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%			

Table 21: New Castle County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019 (continued)

New Castle Violent Offenses	and Clearan	ces, 2015 -	- 2019 (Co	ntinued)	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Robbery	1,123	1,180	920	732	664
Percent Cleared	34.6%	31.3%	34.2%	38.9%	41.1%
Firearm	622	619	470	313	257
Percent Cleared	32.6%	25.8%	34.3%	36.4%	34.6%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	59	75	69	45	74
Percent Cleared	30.5%	25.3%	36.2%	51.1%	47.3%
Other Dangerous Weapon	61	89	46	58	52
Percent Cleared	42.6%	38.2%	37.0%	46.6%	50.0%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	381	397	335	316	281
Percent Cleared	37.0%	39.3%	33.4%	38.3%	43.8%
Assault	9,946	9,317	8,934	8,717	8,433
Percent Cleared	71.7%	70.3%	68.7%	71.7%	74.8%
Aggravated	2,010	1,996	1,838	1,763	1,781
Percent Cleared	62.0%	60.8%	58.7%	65.6%	63.2%
Firearm	728	759	675	528	706
Percent Cleared	36.3%	35.6%	35.1%	41.7%	42.4%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	387	357	352	408	340
Percent Cleared	82.9%	77.9%	77.3%	80.6%	81.8%
Other Dangerous Weapons	685	657	641	654	587
Percent Cleared	75.3%	77.6%	72.7%	75.4%	76.0%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	210	223	170	173	148
Percent Cleared	69.0%	69.5%	60.6%	65.9%	68.9%
Other Assaults	7,936	7,321	7,096	6,954	6,652
Percent Cleared	74.2%	72.9%	71.3%	73.3%	77.9%
Simple/Harassment	5,997	5,697	5,444	5,406	5,195
Percent Cleared	76.5%	75.6%	74.3%	75.3%	80.3%
Intimidation	1,939	1,624	1,652	1,548	1,457
Percent Cleared	67.1%	63.5%	61.1%	66.0%	69.5%

Table 22: Percentage Difference in New Castle County Violent Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in New Castle County Violent Offenses Received							
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19	
All Violent Offenses	-5.5%	-5.9%	-4.1%	-3.6%	-17.8%	-10.8%	
Criminal Homicide	-4.2%	-6.5%	-16.3%	8.3%	-18.8%	-9.8%	
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-2.2%	-2.3%	-16.3%	5.6%	-15.6%	-9.5%	
Negligent Manslaughter	-33.3%	-100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	-66.7%	-20.0%	
Human Trafficking	100.0%	-100.0%	100.0%	600.0%	700.0%	1300.0%	
Commercial Sex Act	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	700.0%	700.0%	2700.0%	
Involuntary Servitude	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	
Kidnapping/Abduction	-10.0%	7.2%	-27.4%	2.5%	-28.2%	-19.5%	
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-14.2%	-4.00%	9.6%	-5.8%	-15.0%	-5.1%	
Rape by Force	-33.1%	-11.2%	32.6%	12.7%	-11.3%	16.4%	
Rape by Force – Attempted	150.0%	40.0%	-71.4%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	
Forcible Sodomy	-38.9%	-18.2%	44.4%	7.7%	-22.2%	9.8%	
Sexual Assault with Object	71.4%	-58.3%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%	-3.4%	
Forcible Fondling	-1.1%	3.2%	0.0%	-20.5%	-18.8%	-19.5%	
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-50.0%	-50.0%	-50.0%	
Robbery	5.1%	-22.0%	-20.4%	-9.3%	-40.9%	-32.8%	
Firearm	-0.5%	-24.1%	-33.4%	-17.9%	-58.7%	-49.2%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	27.1%	-8.0%	-34.8%	64.4%	25.4%	19.4%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	45.9%	-48.3%	26.1%	-10.3%	-14.8%	-18.1%	
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	4.2%	-15.6%	-5.7%	-11.1%	-26.2%	-21.3%	
Assault	-6.3%	-4.1%	-2.4%	-3.3%	-15.2%	-8.6%	
Aggravated	-0.7%	-7.9%	-4.1%	1.0%	-11.4%	-6.3%	
Firearm	4.3%	-11.1%	-21.8%	33.7%	-3.0%	5.0%	
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-7.8%	-1.4%	15.9%	-16.7%	-12.1%	-9.6%	
Other Dangerous Weapons	-4.1%	-2.4%	2.0%	-10.2%	-14.3%	-11.0%	
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggr. Injury	6.2%	-23.8%	1.8%	-14.5%	-29.5%	-23.7%	
Other Assaults	-7.8%	-3.1%	-2.0%	-4.3%	-16.2%	-9.2%	
Simple/Harassment	-5.0%	-4.4%	-0.7%	-3.9%	-13.4%	-7.8%	
Intimidation	-16.3%	1.7%	-6.3%	-5.9%	-24.9%	-13.8%	

Table 23: Crime Rates for New Castle County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 15-19

Crime Rates for New Castle County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
New Castle County Population	556,786	560,147	564,193	564,568	562,694			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
All Violent Offenses	21.0	19.7	18.4	17.6	17.0			
Criminal Homicide	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Negligent Manslaughter	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	0.0	<0.1			
Human Trafficking	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1			
Commercial Sex Act	0.0	<0.1	0.0	0.0	<0.1			
Involuntary Servitude	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1	0.0			
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6			
Rape by Force	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3			
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Forcible Sodomy	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Sexual Assault with Object	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Forcible Fondling	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1	<0.1			
Robbery	2.0	2.1	1.6	1.3	1.2			
Firearm	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.6	0.5			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5			
Assault	17.9	16.6	15.8	15.4	14.9			
Aggravated	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.1	3.2			
Firearm	1.3	1.4	1.2	0.9	1.3			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6			
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.0			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggr. Injury	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3			
Other Assaults	14.3	13.1	12.6	12.3	11.8			
Simple/Harassment	10.8	10.2	9.6	9.6	9.2			
Intimidation	3.5	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.6			

New Castle County Violent Offense Arrests

Table 24: Total New Castle County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Violent Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Criminal Homicide	33	18	33	19	8			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	33	17	33	18	7			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	1	1			
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	1			
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	1			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0			
Kidnapping/Abduction	116	116	110	86	99			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	52	43	44	60	64			
Rape by Force	17	13	8	25	28			
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	1	2	0	1			
Forcible Sodomy	3	1	2	7	2			
Sexual Assault with Object	2	2	0	1	0			
Forcible Fondling	30	26	31	26	33			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	1	1	0			
Robbery	254	236	225	201	184			
Firearm	121	94	97	61	53			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	7	13	20	15	20			
Other Dangerous Weapon	19	19	12	19	14			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	107	110	96	106	97			
Assault	4,364	4,164	3,891	4,003	4,109			
Aggravated	811	837	703	785	730			
Firearm	114	133	102	124	131			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	214	187	181	238	211			
Other Dangerous Weapons	375	389	332	324	295			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	108	128	88	99	93			
Other Assaults	3,553	3,327	3,188	3,218	3,379			
Simple/Harassment	2,807	2,709	2592	2,643	2,770			
Intimidation	746	618	596	575	609			

Table 25: NCC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Adult Arrest	New Castle County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Criminal Homicide	33	18	33	19	8			
Percent Male	84.8%	83.3%	93.9%	89.5	87.5%			
Percent White	9.1%	44.4%	15.2%	26.3%	25.0%			
Percent Black	90.9%	55.6%	84.8%	73.7%	75.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.0%	5.6%	6.1%	5.3%	12.5%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	116	116	110	86	99			
Percent Male	89.7%	88.8%	89.1%	84.9%	85.9%			
Percent White	32.8%	42.2%	49.1%	36.0%	39.4%			
Percent Black	66.4%	56.9%	49.1%	62.8%	57.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.0%	6.9%	6.4%	4.7%	8.1%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	52	44	44	60	64			
Percent Male	98.1%	97.7%	97.7%	100.0%	98.4%			
Percent White	65.4%	59.1%	52.3%	50.0%	45.3%			
Percent Black	30.8%	40.9%	45.5%	50.0%	51.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	17.3%	15.9%	18.2%	15.0%	17.2%			
Robbery	254	236	225	201	184			
Percent Male	83.1%	80.1%	88.9%	84.6%	80.4%			
Percent White	30.7%	34.3%	28.9%	28.9%	24.5%			
Percent Black	68.5%	65.3%	70.7%	71.1%	75.5%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.1%	5.9%	3.6%	7.5%	7.6%			
Assault	4,364	4,074	3,891	4,003	4,109			
Aggravated	811	837	703	785	730			
Percent Male	70.5%	65.6%	64.9%	61.7%	65.5%			
Percent White	35.8%	37.0%	41.3%	36.1%	37.5%			
Percent Black	63.4%	62.6%	57.5%	62.5%	61.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	5.6%	8.7%	7.8%	9.7%			
Other Assaults	3,553	3,327	3,188	3,218	3,379			
Percent Male	70.6%	70.0%	68.8%	70.7%	67.7%			
Percent White	45.6%	42.8%	42.4%	44.7%	42.9%			
Percent Black	53.7%	56.2%	56.7%	54.6%	56.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	6.3%	6.8%	7.2%	7.4%			

Table 26: Total New Castle County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Criminal Homicide	1	6	2	2	0			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	5	1	2	0			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	1	0	0			
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0			
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	0			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0			
Kidnapping/Abduction	7	2	1	3	7			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	14	13	13	15	12			
Rape by Force	9	7	7	6	7			
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	0	0	0	0			
Forcible Sodomy	1	0	1	1	0			
Sexual Assault with Object	0	1	0	0	0			
Forcible Fondling	3	5	5	8	5			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	1	0	0	0	0			
Robbery	97	90	56	60	83			
Firearm	39	42	31	20	31			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0	3	0	1	8			
Other Dangerous Weapon	10	5	1	7	5			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	48	40	24	32	39			
Assault	797	716	636	550	620			
Aggravated	167	140	101	120	121			
Firearm	27	19	12	18	20			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	44	31	34	31	28			
Other Dangerous Weapons	66	55	34	54	42			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	30	35	21	17	31			
Other Assaults	630	576	535	430	499			
Simple/Harassment	511	486	446	357	423			
Intimidation	119	90	89	73	76			

Table 27: NCC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 19, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Criminal Homicide	1	6	2	2	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A		
Percent White	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A		
Percent Black	100.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A		
Kidnapping/Abduction	7	2	1	3	7		
Percent Male	85.7%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	28.6%	0.0%	100.0%	33.3%	28.6%		
Percent Black	71.4%	100.0%	0.0%	66.7%	71.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%		
Sex Offenses, Forcible	14	13	13	15	12		
Percent Male	92.9%	100.0%	92.3%	93.3%	100.0%		
Percent White	35.7%	30.8%	61.5%	33.3%	33.3%		
Percent Black	64.3%	69.2%	38.5%	60.0%	66.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	14.3%	7.7%	15.4%	0.0%	0.05		
Robbery	97	90	56	60	83		
Percent Male	93.8%	87.8%	85.7%	95.0%	95.2%		
Percent White	14.4%	14.4%	17.9%	15.0%	14.5%		
Percent Black	82.5%	84.4%	82.1%	85.0%	85.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.2%	7.8%	7.1%	5.0%	3.6%		
Assault	797	716	636	550	620		
Aggravated	167	140	101	120	121		
Percent Male	76.0%	67.9%	69.3%	67.5%	81.0%		
Percent White	24.0%	17.1%	28.7%	24.2%	25.6%		
Percent Black	74.3%	82.9%	71.3%	75.0%	72.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.8%	5.7%	8.9%	9.2%	5.8%		
Other Assaults	630	576	535	430	499		
Percent Male	65.1%	60.2%	57.4%	57.9%	62.1%		
Percent White	30.0%	29.5%	28.6%	26.3%	23.8%		
Percent Black	69.5%	69.8%	71.2%	73.0%	75.6%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.3%	7.8%	7.9%	7.2%	7.8%		

Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Violent Offenses in the county were over 11% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. All three of the most common crimes, Assault, Robbery and Forcible Sex Offenses, saw decreases from 2015: 10.9%, 36.0% and 4.2% respectively. Robbery considerably decreased which mirrors the rest of the state. Of special note:

- 2019 data indicate the number of Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter Offenses (8) is slightly higher from 2018. This is a noticeable decrease though from the high in 2015 (15). Vehicular Homicide being counted in the NIBRS Homicide totals beginning in 2019 resulted in one additional offense in the totals.
- Robbery with a Firearm Offenses decreased 43.2% since 2015. Assault with a Firearm Offenses have increased 28.4%, and have been increasing since 2018

Most Violent Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019 (82.5%). Most categories of Violent Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years. Three out of 4 Homicide Offenses were cleared by the end of 2019.

Tables 28–34 and Figure 17 provide detailed information about Kent County Violent Offenses, Clearances, Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 17.

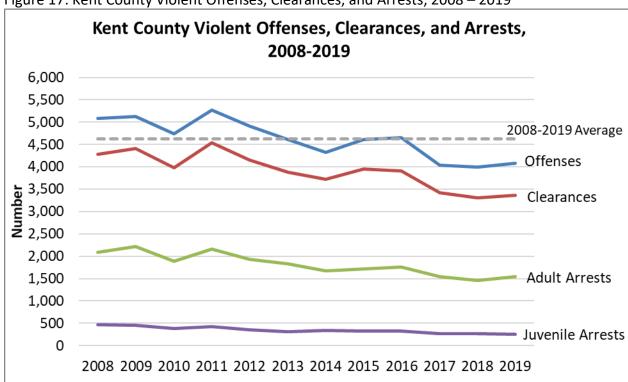


Figure 17: Kent County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 28: Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
All Violent Offenses	4,608	4,649	4,041	3,997	4,083			
Percent Cleared	85.9%	84.0%	84.6%	82.9%	82.5%			
Criminal Homicide	15	8	8	6	8			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	50.0%	62.5%	100.0%	75.0%			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	15	7	8	6	7			
Percent Cleared	66.7%	42.9%	62.5%	100.0%	71.4%			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	0	1			
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Human Trafficking	0	2	4	0	2			
Percent Cleared	N/A	50.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%			
Commercial Sex Act	0	2	3	0	0			
Percent Cleared	N/A	50.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	1	0	2			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	100.0%			
Kidnapping/Abduction	59	73	50	45	59			
Percent Cleared	91.5%	87.7%	86.0%	75.6%	93.2%			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	214	204	204	195	205			
Percent Cleared	80.4%	76.0%	76.5%	69.2%	60.0%			
Rape by Force	67	57	59	66	67			
Percent Cleared	71.6%	70.2%	74.6%	71.2%	62.7%			
Rape by Force - Attempted	2	1	3	3	0			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	100.0%	N/A			
Forcible Sodomy	25	14	19	11	15			
Percent Cleared	96.0%	42.9%	84.2%	72.7%	53.3%			
Sexual Assault with Object	13	2	7	8	12			
Percent Cleared	92.3%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	66.7%			
Forcible Fondling	106	127	114	107	109			
Percent Cleared	80.2%	81.9%	75.4%	68.2%	58.7%			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	1	3	2	0	2			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	66.7%	50.0%	N/A	50.0%			

Table 28: Kent County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019 (continued)

Kent County Violent Offense	s and Cleara	ances, 2015	5 – 2019 (Cd	ontinued)	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Robbery	161	191	131	116	103
Percent Cleared	55.9%	61.8%	66.4%	66.4%	56.3%
Firearm	81	105	60	57	46
Percent Cleared	48.1%	54.3%	65.0%	63.2%	41.3%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	9	16	8	10	17
Percent Cleared	33.3%	68.8%	62.5%	80.0%	70.6%
Other Dangerous Weapon	19	10	8	14	12
Percent Cleared	84.2%	80.0%	87.5%	64.3%	58.3%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	52	60	55	35	28
Percent Cleared	61.5%	70.0%	65.5%	68.6%	71.4%
Assault	4,159	4,171	3,644	3,635	3,706
Percent Cleared	87.3%	85.4%	85.7%	84.2%	84.3%
Aggravated	670	674	627	625	623
Percent Cleared	77.3%	72.8%	76.2%	72.8%	67.9%
Firearm	222	245	222	241	285
Percent Cleared	59.9%	53.5%	60.4%	58.9%	46.7%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	97	133	98	99	90
Percent Cleared	88.7%	88.7%	90.8%	82.8%	85.6%
Other Dangerous Weapons	246	224	226	203	190
Percent Cleared	87.4%	81.7%	82.7%	84.2%	87.4%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Aggrav. Injury	105	72	81	82	58
Percent Cleared	80.0%	81.9%	84.0%	73.2%	81.0%
Other Assaults	3,489	3,497	3,017	3,010	3,083
Percent Cleared	89.2%	87.8%	87.6%	86.6%	87.6%
Simple/Harassment	2,779	2,800	2,458	2,383	2,556
Percent Cleared	91.8%	90.9%	90.0%	89.1%	90.1%
Intimidation	710	697	559	627	527
Percent Cleared	78.9%	75.5%	77.1%	76.9%	75.7%

Table 29: Percentage Difference in Kent County Violent Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in Kent County Violent Offenses Received										
	45 46	46 47	47. 40	10 10	45 40	Average				
All Violent Offenses	15 - 16 0.9%	16 - 17 -13.1%	17 - 18 -1.1%	18 - 19 2.2%	15 - 19 -11.4%	15-18 vs 19 -5.6%				
Criminal Homicide	-46.7%	0.0%	-25.0%	33.3%	-46.7%	-13.5%				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	-53.3%	14.3%	-25.0%	16.7%	-53.3%	-22.2%				
Negligent Manslaughter	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	300.0%				
Human Trafficking	200.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	200.0%	200.0%	33.3%				
Commercial Sex Act	200.0%	50.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%				
Involuntary Servitude	0.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	200.0%	200.0%	700.0%				
Kidnapping/Abduction	23.7%	-31.5%	-10.0%	31.1%	0.0%	4.0%				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-4.7%	0.0%	-4.4%	5.1%	-4.2%	0.4%				
Rape by Force	-14.9%	3.5%	11.9%	1.5%	0.0%	7.6%				
Rape by Force – Attempted	-50.0%	200.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%				
Forcible Sodomy	-44.0%	35.7%	-42.1%	36.4%	-40.0%	-13.0%				
Sexual Assault with Object	-84.6%	250.0%	14.3%	50.0%	-7.7%	60.0%				
Forcible Fondling	19.8%	-10.2%	-6.1%	1.9%	2.8%	-4.0%				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	200.0%	-33.3%	-100.0%	200.0%	100.0%	33.3%				
Robbery	18.6%	-31.4%	-11.5%	-11.2%	-36.0%	-31.2%				
Firearm	29.6%	-42.9%	-5.0%	-19.3%	-43.2%	-39.3%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	77.8%	-50.0%	25.0%	70.0%	88.9%	58.1%				
Other Dangerous Weapon	-47.4%	-20.0%	75.0%	-14.3%	-36.8%	-5.9%				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	15.4%	-8.3%	-36.4%	-20.0%	-46.2%	-44.6%				
Assault	0.3%	-12.6%	-0.3%	2.0%	-10.9%	-5.0%				
Aggravated	0.6%	-7.0%	-0.3%	-0.3%	-7.0%	-4.0%				
Firearm	10.4%	-9.4%	8.6%	18.3%	28.4%	22.6%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	37.1%	-26.3%	1.0%	-9.1%	-7.2%	-15.7%				
Other Dangerous Weapons	-8.9%	0.9%	-10.2%	-6.4%	-22.8%	-15.5%				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	-31.4%	12.5%	1.2%	-29.3%	-44.8%	-31.8%				
Other Assaults	0.2%	-13.7%	-0.2%	2.4%	-11.6%	-5.2%				
Simple/Harassment	0.8%	-12.2%	-3.1%	7.3%	-8.0%	-1.9%				
Intimidation	-1.8%	-19.8%	12.2%	-15.9%	-25.8%	-18.7%				

Table 30: Crime Rates for Kent County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 19

Crime Rates for Kent County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
Kent County Population	173,529	175,110	180,610	180,396	178,019				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
All Violent Offenses	26.6	26.6	22.4	22.3	22.9				
Criminal Homicide	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	<0.1	0.0	0.0	<0.1				
Human Trafficking	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1				
Commercial Sex Act	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	0.0				
Involuntary Servitude	0.0	0.0	<0.1	0.0	<0.1				
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2				
Rape by Force	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4				
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0				
Forcible Sodomy	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Sexual Assault with Object	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1				
Forcible Fondling	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1				
Robbery	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.6				
Firearm	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1				
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2				
Assault	24.0	23.8	20.2	20.2	20.8				
Aggravated	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.5				
Firearm	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.6				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5				
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.1				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3				
Other Assaults	20.1	20.0	16.7	16.7	17.3				
Simple/Harassment	16.0	16.0	13.6	13.2	14.4				
Intimidation	4.1	4.0	3.1	3.5	3.0				

Kent County Violent Offense Arrests

Table 31: Total Kent County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Adult Arrests – Violent Offenses									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Criminal Homicide	9	5	5	5	5				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	9	5	5	5	5				
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0				
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0				
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	0				
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	C				
Kidnapping/Abduction	32	51	41	32	46				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	42	33	33	32	31				
Rape by Force	16	10	8	11	14				
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	0	0	0	0				
Forcible Sodomy	4	2	4	0	2				
Sexual Assault with Object	1	0	1	1	2				
Forcible Fondling	21	20	20	20	13				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	0	0	O				
Robbery	78	102	84	58	54				
Firearm	30	54	51	27	19				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	4	11	4	4	9				
Other Dangerous Weapon	15	6	4	9	10				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	29	31	25	18	16				
Assault	1,548	1,573	1,385	1,334	1,401				
Aggravated	298	305	286	254	232				
Firearm	46	49	57	58	53				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	61	77	70	53	43				
Other Dangerous Weapons	130	124	110	101	101				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	61	55	49	42	35				
Other Assaults	1,250	1,268	1,099	1,080	1,169				
Simple/Harassment	1,038	1,057	925	900	1,011				
Intimidation	212	211	174	180	158				

Table 32: KC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Adult Arrests fo	r Violent Offens	es by Gend	er, Race, a	nd Ethnicit	У
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	9	5	5	5	5
Percent Male	100.0%	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%	80.0%
Percent White	11.1%	60.0%	20.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Percent Black	88.9%	40.0%	80.0%	80.0%	100.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	32	51	41	32	46
Percent Male	90.6%	94.1%	95.1%	96.9%	93.5%
Percent White	37.5%	31.4%	51.2%	40.6%	34.8%
Percent Black	62.5%	68.6%	48.8%	59.4%	65.2%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%	4.3%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	42	33	33	32	31
Percent Male	92.9%	97.0%	93.9%	96.9%	100.0%
Percent White	61.9%	57.6%	36.4%	46.9%	51.6%
Percent Black	38.1%	39.4%	63.6%	53.1%	48.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	9.5%	9.1%	3.0%	6.3%	6.5%
Robbery	78	102	84	58	54
Percent Male	82.1%	90.2%	90.5%	87.9%	87.0%
Percent White	47.4%	29.4%	19.0%	20.7%	25.9%
Percent Black	52.6%	70.6%	81.0%	79.3%	74.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.3%	2.0%	2.4%	0.0%	3.7%
Assault	1,548	1,573	1,385	1,334	1,401
Aggravated	298	305	286	254	232
Percent Male	71.1%	65.6%	69.2%	70.1%	72.0%
Percent White	46.0%	42.3%	41.3%	36.2%	50.9%
Percent Black	54.0%	57.4%	58.0%	63.4%	48.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.4%	4.3%	3.5%	4.3%	3.4%
Other Assaults	1,250	1,268	1,099	1,080	1,169
Percent Male	70.2%	70.9%	68.7%	70.2%	68.9%
Percent White	44.7%	43.1%	44.2%	45.5%	42.7%
Percent Black	55.1%	56.3%	55.1%	53.8%	57.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.2%	3.5%	3.1%	4.4%	3.5%

Table 33: Total Kent County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0			
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0			
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	0			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0			
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	1	2	0	4			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	8	10	22	10	11			
Rape by Force	2	5	5	0	2			
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	0	0	0	0			
Forcible Sodomy	1	0	3	1	1			
Sexual Assault with Object	1	0	1	1	1			
Forcible Fondling	4	4	12	8	6			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	1	1	0	1			
Robbery	13	24	11	20	21			
Firearm	6	6	4	5	10			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0	0	0	5	2			
Other Dangerous Weapon	1	4	1	3	3			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	6	14	6	7	6			
Assault	297	290	234	235	224			
Aggravated	47	34	49	41	44			
Firearm	6	9	10	10	5			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	8	10	7	7	7			
Other Dangerous Weapons	23	9	20	8	22			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	10	6	12	16	10			
Other Assaults	250	256	185	194	180			
Simple/Harassment	218	212	165	159	147			
Intimidation	32	44	20	35	33			

Table 34: KC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juvenile Arres			-		•
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	1	2	0	4
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	75.0%
Percent White	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%
Percent Black	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	8	10	22	10	11
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	80.0%	100.0%
Percent White	37.5%	20.0%	54.5%	20.0%	54.5%
Percent Black	62.5%	80.0%	40.9%	70.0%	45.5%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	13	24	11	20	21
Percent Male	92.3%	87.5%	90.9%	95.0%	100.0%
Percent White	38.5%	12.5%	0.0%	5.0%	28.6%
Percent Black	61.5%	87.5%	100.0%	95.0%0.0%	71.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.5%
Assault	297	290	234	235	224
Aggravated	47	34	49	41	44
Percent Male	76.6%	85.3%	81.6%	68.3%	75.0%
Percent White	27.7%	26.5%	26.5%	34.1%	38.6%
Percent Black	72.3%	73.5%	73.5%	65.9%	61.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.3%	0.0%	4.1%	2.4%	9.1%
Other Assaults	250	256	185	194	180
Percent Male	52.8%	49.2%	60.5%	59.3%	51.1%
Percent White	29.6%	28.5%	25.9%	35.1%	28.3%
Percent Black	68.8%	71.1%	73.5%	63.9%	71.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.6%	5.5%	3.8%	3.1%	2.2%

Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Violent Offenses in the county were 4% lower in 2019 compared with 2015 although year-to-year changes were mixed. Two of the three most commonly reported offenses were down to varying degrees. Assault Offenses were down 3.2% from 2015 to 2019. Forcible Sex Offenses decreased 11.4% from 2015 totals. Of special note:

- 2019 data shows the number of Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter Offenses (5)
 was a 66% increase from 2015 but is lower from a period high of 7 in 2016. Vehicular
 Homicide being included in NIBRS Homicide totals starting in 2019 resulted in two
 additional offenses.
- Robbery with a Firearm Offenses are down almost 65.0% from 2015. Overall Robbery
 Offenses decreased 39.7% from 2015 totals to a report period low in 2019. This trend
 mirrors Robbery Offense trends across the State.
- Overall, Aggravated and Other Assault offense categories showed decreases from 2015 totals. Aggravated Assaults with Knives and Cutting Instruments decreased over 16% while Firearm use increased almost 23%.

Most offenses (85.5%) had been cleared by the end of 2019. Most categories of Violent Offenses committed in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to the previous four years.

Tables 35–41 and Figure 18 provide detailed information about Sussex County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends from 2008 are shown in Figure 18.

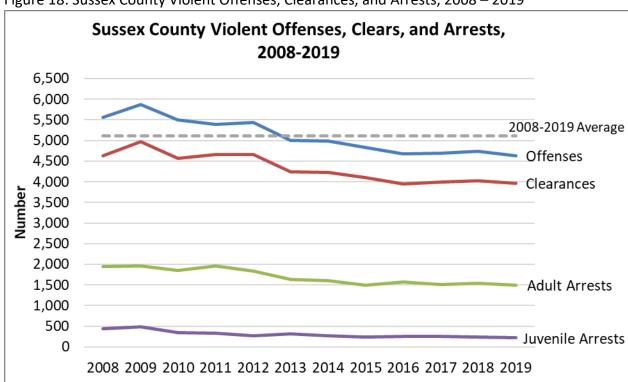


Figure 18: Sussex County Violent Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 35: Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Violent Of	fenses and	-	s, 2015 – 20	019	
-	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Violent Offenses	4,826	4,671	4,700	4,739	4,635
Percent Cleared	85.1%	84.5%	84.9%	85.0%	85.5%
		_			_
Criminal Homicide	3	7	2	6	5
Percent Cleared	100.0%	42.9%	100.0%	83.3%	60.0%
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	3	6	2	6	3
Percent Cleared	100.0%	33.3%	100.0%	83.3%	66.7%
Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	0	2
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A	50.0%
Human Trafficking	0	10	1	3	16
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	33.3%	0.0%
Commercial Sex Act	0	10	1	3	8
Percent Cleared	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	33.3%	0.0%
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	8
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%
Miles and Albertania		45	F4		67
Kidnapping/Abduction	57	45	51	57	67
Percent Cleared	84.2%	82.2%	88.2%	91.2%	82.1%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	211	201	248	211	187
Percent Cleared	66.8%	64.7%	63.7%	65.4%	56.7%
Rape by Force	48	63	76	62	49
Percent Cleared	62.5%	46.0%	71.1%	59.7%	36.7%
Rape by Force - Attempted	2	2	6	6	2
Percent Cleared	50.0%	50.0%	66.7%	83.3%	100.0%
Forcible Sodomy	30	18	27	18	11
Percent Cleared	70.0%	94.4%	51.9%	77.8%	45.5%
6 14 11 21 61 1	13	11	15	16	10
Sexual Assault with Object			72.20/	43.8%	70.0%
Sexual Assault with Object Percent Cleared	92.3%	72.7%	73.3%	45.6%	70.070
 	92.3% 117	72.7% 107	124	106	114
Percent Cleared					
Percent Cleared Forcible Fondling	117	107	124	106	114
Percent Cleared Forcible Fondling Percent Cleared	117 65.0%	107 70.1%	124 60.5%	106 68.9%	114 64.0%

Table 35: Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019 (continued)

Sussex County Violent Offens	Sussex County Violent Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019 (Continued)								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Robbery	136	152	144	101	82				
Percent Cleared	44.1%	45.4%	52.8%	49.5%	43.9%				
Firearm	60	48	53	35	21				
Percent Cleared	33.3%	29.2%	43.4%	40.0%	33.3%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	12	12	27	9	6				
Percent Cleared	50.0%	58.3%	51.9%	44.4%	16.7%				
Other Dangerous Weapon	13	12	13	4	12				
Percent Cleared	61.5%	33.3%	69.2%	75.0%	41.7%				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	51	80	51	53	43				
Percent Cleared	51.0%	55.0%	58.8%	54.7%	53.5%				
Assault	4,419	4,256	4,254	4,361	4,278				
Percent Cleared	87.2%	86.9%	87.2%	86.7%	88.0%				
Aggravated	609	616	510	544	608				
Percent Cleared	80.6%	73.7%	75.3%	77.9%	77.8%				
Firearm	118	170	119	128	145				
Percent Cleared	68.6%	50.0%	56.3%	65.6%	58.6%				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	123	103	93	106	103				
Percent Cleared	88.6%	92.2%	83.9%	87.7%	89.3%				
Other Dangerous Weapons	282	249	239	246	285				
Percent Cleared	85.5%	81.9%	79.9%	78.9%	82.8%				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	86	94	59	64	75				
Percent Cleared	69.8%	74.5%	81.4%	82.8%	80.0%				
Other Assaults	3,810	3,640	3,744	3,817	3,670				
Percent Cleared	88.3%	89.2%	88.8%	88.0%	89.6%				
Simple/Harassment	2,932	2,842	3,006	3,062	3,005				
Percent Cleared	90.6%	92.2%	91.4%	90.8%	91.9%				
Intimidation	878	798	738	755	665				
Percent Cleared	80.5%	78.4%	78.0%	76.8%	79.2%				

Table 36: Percentage Difference in Sussex County Violent Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Differe	ence in Sus	sex County	Violent O	ffenses R	eceived	
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19
All Violent Offenses	-3.2%	0.6%	0.8%	-2.2%	-4.0%	-2.1%
Criminal Homicide	133.3%	-71.4%	200.0%	-16.7%	66.7%	11.1%
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	100.0%	-66.7%	200.0%	-50.0%	0.0%	-29.4%
Negligent Manslaughter	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	200.0%	200.0%	700.0%
Human Trafficking	1000.0%	-90.0%	200.0%	433.3%	1600.0%	357.1%
Commercial Sex Act	1000.0%	-90.0%	200.0%	166.7%	800.0%	128.6%
Involuntary Servitude	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	800.0%	800.0%	800.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	-21.1%	13.3%	11.8%	17.5%	17.5%	27.6%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	-4.7%	23.4%	-14.9%	-11.4%	-11.4%	-14.1%
Rape by Force	31.3%	20.6%	-18.4%	-21.0%	2.1%	-21.3%
Rape by Force - Attempted	0.0%	200.0%	0.0%	-66.7%	0.0%	-50.0%
Forcible Sodomy	-40.0%	50.0%	-33.3%	-38.9%	-63.3%	-52.7%
Sexual Assault with Object	-15.4%	36.4%	6.7%	-37.5%	-23.1%	-27.3%
Forcible Fondling	-8.6%	15.9%	-14.5%	7.5%	-2.6%	0.4%
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	-100.0%	0.0%	300.0%	-66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	11.8%	-5.3%	-29.9%	-18.8%	-39.7%	-38.5%
Firearm	-20.0%	10.4%	-34.0%	-40.0%	-65.0%	-57.1%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.0%	125.0%	-66.7%	-33.3%	-50.0%	-60.0%
Other Dangerous Weapon	-7.7%	8.3%	-69.2%	200.0%	-7.7%	14.3%
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	56.9%	-36.3%	3.9%	-18.9%	-15.7%	-26.8%
Assault	-3.7%	-0.1%	2.5%	-1.9%	-3.2%	-1.0%
Aggravated	1.2%	-17.2%	6.7%	11.8%	-0.2%	6.7%
Firearm	44.1%	-30.0%	7.6%	13.3%	22.9%	8.4%
Knife or Cutting Instrument	-16.3%	-9.7%	14.0%	-2.8%	-16.3%	-3.1%
Other Dangerous Weapons	-11.7%	-4.0%	2.9%	15.9%	1.1%	12.2%
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	9.3%	-37.2%	8.5%	17.2%	-12.8%	-1.0%
Other Assaults	-4.5%	2.9%	2.0%	-3.9%	-3.7%	-2.2%
Simple/Harassment	-3.1%	5.8%	1.9%	-1.9%	2.5%	1.5%
Intimidation	-9.1%	-7.5%	2.3%	-11.9%	-24.3%	-16.1%

Table 37: Crime Rates for Sussex County Violent Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 - 19

Crime Rates for Sussex C	County Viole	nt Offenses	Received pe	r 1,000 Peo	ple
Sussex County Population	215,622	218,820	233,010	229,087	231,619
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Violent Offenses	22.4	21.6	21.1	20.7	20.0
Criminal Homicide	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Negligent Manslaughter	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1
Human Trafficking	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1
Commercial Sex Act	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Involuntary Servitude	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	<0.1
Kidnapping/Abduction	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Sex Offenses, Forcible	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.8
Rape by Force	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
Rape by Force - Attempted	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Forcible Sodomy	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1
Sexual Assault with Object	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1
Forcible Fondling	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Robbery	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.4
Firearm	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
Assault	20.5	19.4	19.1	19.0	18.5
Aggravated	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.6
Firearm	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.6
Knife or Cutting Instrument	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4
Other Dangerous Weapons	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Other Assaults	17.7	16.6	16.8	16.7	15.8
Simple/Harassment	13.6	13.0	13.5	13.4	13.0
Intimidation	4.1	3.6	3.3	3.3	2.9

Sussex County Violent Offense Arrests

Table 38: Total Sussex County Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Violent Offenses									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Criminal Homicide	9	2	3	8	3				
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	9	2	3	8	3				
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0				
Human Trafficking	0	3	1	0	0				
Commercial Sex Act	0	3	1	0	0				
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0				
Kidnapping/Abduction	43	34	39	45	49				
Sex Offenses, Forcible	47	38	41	37	34				
Rape by Force	17	13	22	11	7				
Rape by Force - Attempted	1	0	2	2	2				
Forcible Sodomy	3	5	3	4	2				
Sexual Assault with Object	4	2	1	2	2				
Forcible Fondling	22	18	13	18	20				
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	0	0	1				
Robbery	67	72	82	48	41				
Firearm	21	13	33	15	10				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	7	8	9	1	2				
Other Dangerous Weapon	8	9	5	3	3				
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	31	42	35	29	26				
Assault	1,336	1,420	1,339	1,396	1,373				
Aggravated	283	288	243	253	276				
Firearm	37	48	27	34	37				
Knife or Cutting Instrument	69	64	56	54	49				
Other Dangerous Weapons	137	120	117	127	143				
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	40	56	43	38	47				
Other Assaults	1,053	1,132	1,096	1,143	1,097				
Simple/Harassment	848	922	885	942	924				
Intimidation	205	210	211	201	173				

Table 39: SC Adult Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Adult Arrests	for Violent Offen	ses by Gen	der, Race,	and Ethnici	ity
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	9	2	3	8	3
Percent Male	66.7%	100.0%	66.7%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent White	33.3%	50.0%	66.7%	12.5%	66.7%
Percent Black	55.6%	50.0%	33.3%	87.5%	33.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	43	34	39	45	49
Percent Male	95.3%	94.1%	92.3%	88.9%	89.8%
Percent White	58.1%	70.6%	56.4%	60.0%	67.3%
Percent Black	41.9%	29.4%	43.6%	40.0%	32.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.0%	20.6%	0.0%	8.9%	12.2%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	47	38	41	37	34
Percent Male	97.9%	94.7%	92.7%	97.3%	97.1%
Percent White	78.7%	78.9%	58.5%	64.9%	67.6%
Percent Black	21.3%	21.1%	34.1%	35.1%	32.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	17.0%	28.9%	17.1%	21.6%	26.5%
Robbery	67	72	82	48	41
Percent Male	74.6%	77.8%	87.8%	85.4%	82.9%
Percent White	52.2%	59.7%	41.5%	64.6%	24.4%
Percent Black	47.8%	40.3%	58.5%	35.4%	75.6%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.5%	2.8%	3.7%	10.4%	9.8%
Assault	1,336	1,420	1,339	1,396	1,373
Aggravated	283	288	243	253	276
Percent Male	77.4%	72.9%	72.4%	72.3%	75.0%
Percent White	59.4%	50.0%	58.4%	60.1%	58.0%
Percent Black	40.6%	49.7%	40.7%	39.1%	41.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.8%	5.9%	6.2%	8.7%	7.6%
Other Assaults	1,053	1,132	1,096	1,143	1,097
Percent Male	74.6%	73.6%	69.9%	71.5%	73.3%
Percent White	62.5%	62.9%	64.0%	62.5%	62.9%
Percent Black	36.8%	36.7%	35.4%	36.9%	36.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.8%	6.8%	6.7%	5.9%	5.7%

Table 40: Total Sussex County Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Violent Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0			
Murder, Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0			
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0			
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0			
Commercial Sex Act	0	0	0	0	0			
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0			
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	2	3	2	2			
Sex Offenses, Forcible	13	19	18	16	11			
Rape by Force	1	6	5	4	1			
Rape by Force - Attempted	0	0	0	0	1			
Forcible Sodomy	4	1	2	1	1			
Sexual Assault with Object	1	0	0	0	0			
Forcible Fondling	7	12	11	11	8			
Forcible Fondling- Attempted	0	0	0	0	0			
Robbery	6	7	14	7	7			
Firearm	3	0	4	0	1			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	1	0	0	1	1			
Other Dangerous Weapon	1	0	6	0	4			
Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet)	1	7	4	6	1			
Assault	223	223	223	209	195			
Aggravated	52	39	31	41	35			
Firearm	3	7	5	6	5			
Knife or Cutting Instrument	14	7	6	14	8			
Other Dangerous Weapons	24	18	14	13	15			
Hands, Fists, Feet, Agg. Injury	11	7	6	8	7			
Other Assaults	171	184	192	168	160			
Simple/Harassment	141	167	164	150	142			
Intimidation	30	17	28	18	18			

Table 41: SC Juvenile Arrests for Violent Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Juvenile Arres	ts for Violent Offe	nses by Ge	nder, Race	, and Ethni	city
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	2	3	2	2
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent White	0.0%	50.0%	100.0%	50.0%	0.0%
Percent Black	100.0%	50.0%	0.0%	50.0%	100.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	13	19	18	16	11
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	94.4%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent White	53.8%	47.4%	50.0%	50.0%	63.6%
Percent Black	46.2%	52.6%	50.0%	50.0%	36.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.7%	10.5%	0.0%	6.3%	9.1%
Robbery	6	7	14	7	7
Percent Male	100.0%	85.7%	85.7%	100.0%	71.4%
Percent White	50.0%	42.9%	35.7%	14.3%	42.9%
Percent Black	50.0%	57.1%	64.3%	85.7%	57.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	16.7%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%
Assault	223	223	223	209	195
Aggravated	52	39	31	41	35
Percent Male	88.5%	87.2%	77.4%	63.4%	77.1%
Percent White	38.5%	35.9%	38.7%	48.8%	51.4%
Percent Black	59.6%	64.1%	58.1%	51.2%	45.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	7.3%	14.3%
Other Assaults	171	184	192	168	160
Percent Male	69.6%	60.3%	67.7%	58.3%	57.5%
Percent White	39.8%	38.6%	45.8%	51.8%	44.4%
Percent Black	59.6%	60.9%	51.0%	47.6%	55.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.4%	3.8%	6.3%	14.3%	5.6%

Delaware Serious Property Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Serious Property Offenses were 15% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015, continuing an overall downward trend since 2016. The three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft—had mixed trends compared to 2015. Burglary and Larceny Offenses experienced decreases of 38% and almost 12%, respectively, compared with 2015. The number of Motor Vehicle Theft Offenses was 23% higher. Of special note:

- Burglary offenses have been decreasing across all three types of Burglaries since 2016.
- Theft from a Building decreased almost 27% from 2015, while Theft from a Motor Vehicle decreased 5%. These are two of the most common Larceny offenses.
- Motor Vehicle Theft is at a high point from 2015 to 2019.

For almost all Serious Property Offense crimes, less than 31% of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. However, offenses for most all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 42 – 48 and Figure 19 provide detailed information about Statewide Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 19.

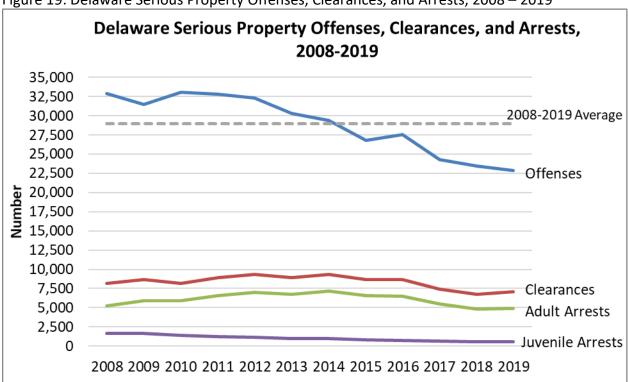


Figure 19: Delaware Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 42: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clea	arances – S	erious Pro	perty Offe	nses, 2015	5 – 2019
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Serious Property Offenses	26,834	27,565	24,298	23,420	22,872
Percent Cleared	32.2%	31.4%	30.6%	28.8%	30.8%
Arson	161	181	144	135	128
Percent Cleared	34.2%	29.3%	27.1%	34.1%	39.1%
Structure	77	85	81	84	73
Percent Cleared	37.7%	34.1%	28.4%	41.7%	43.8%
Mobile	29	38	30	23	29
Percent Cleared	17.2%	7.9%	23.3%	21.7%	24.1%
Other	55	58	33	28	26
Percent Cleared	38.2%	36.2%	27.3%	21.4%	42.3%
Extortion/Blackmail	19	26	31	61	45
Percent Cleared	42.1%	30.8%	29.0%	14.8%	24.4%
Burglary	4,914	5,082	3,873	3,229	3,049
Percent Cleared	28.1%	31.0%	31.3%	30.1%	35.0%
Forcible Entry	2,145	2,150	1,656	1,370	1,310
Percent Cleared	28.3%	28.9%	33.3%	33.7%	32.1%
Unlawful Entry - No force	2,242	2,371	1,799	1,520	1,446
Percent Cleared	30.5%	34.8%	31.5%	28.2%	38.7%
Attempted Forcible Entry	527	561	418	339	293
Percent Cleared	16.5%	23.0%	22.5%	23.9%	29.7%

Table 42: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses... (Continued)

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clea	irances – S	erious Pro	perty Offe	enses (Con	tinued)
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Larceny/Theft	20,468	20,732	18,846	18,520	18,085
Percent Cleared	34.1%	32.5%	31.5%	29.5%	30.8%
Pocket Picking	21	39	25	44	37
Percent Cleared	19.0%	23.1%	28.0%	25.0%	18.9%
Purse Snatching	26	19	21	36	27
Percent Cleared	11.5%	31.6%	23.8%	22.2%	37.0%
Shoplifting	6,248	6,107	5,887	5,771	6,016
Percent Cleared	66.6%	64.4%	56.5%	53.9%	51.5%
Theft from Building	5,694	5,439	4,865	4,381	4,169
Percent Cleared	31.8%	31.9%	32.6%	30.4%	32.0%
From Coin Operated Machine	45	32	29	27	32
Percent Cleared	22.2%	40.6%	24.1%	37.0%	9.4%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4,469	5,490	4,525	4,862	4,226
Percent Cleared	10.2%	11.1%	11.1%	10.1%	13.6%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	861	933	786	818	707
Percent Cleared	6.2%	5.9%	7.5%	6.7%	7.9%
Other	3,104	2,673	2,708	2,581	2,871
Percent Cleared	15.2%	14.1%	16.4%	17.2%	16.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	1,272	1,544	1,404	1,475	1,565
Percent Cleared	18.6%	18.9%	17.3%	17.5%	23.2%
Autos	925	1,177	1,062	1,086	1,223
Percent Cleared	17.8%	17.8%	16.6%	17.9%	23.5%
Trucks and Buses	123	129	106	135	140
Percent Cleared	29.3%	24.0%	23.6%	21.5%	22.1%
Other Vehicles	224	238	236	254	202
Percent Cleared	16.1%	21.8%	17.8%	13.8%	21.8%

Table 43: Delaware Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Delaware Percentage Diffe	erence in S	erious Pro	perty Offe	nses Recei	ved, 2015	– 2019
	15 – 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19
All Serious Property Offenses	2.7%	-11.9%	-3.6%	-2.3%	-14.8%	-10.4%
Arson	12.4%	-20.4%	-6.3%	-5.2%	-20.5%	-17.6%
Structure	10.4%	-4.7%	3.7%	-13.1%	-5.2%	-10.7%
Mobile	31.0%	-21.1%	-23.3%	26.1%	0.0%	-3.3%
Other	5.5%	-43.1%	-15.2%	-7.1%	-52.7%	-40.2%
Extortion/Blackmail	36.8%	19.2%	96.8%	-26.2%	136.8%	31.4%
Burglary	3.4%	-23.8%	-16.6%	-5.6%	-38.0%	-28.7%
Forcible Entry	0.2%	-23.0%	-17.3%	-4.4%	-38.9%	-28.4%
Unlawful Entry - No force	5.8%	-24.1%	-15.5%	-4.9%	-35.5%	-27.1%
Attempted Forcible Entry	6.5%	-25.5%	-18.9%	-13.6%	-44.4%	-36.5%
Larceny/Theft	1.3%	-9.1%	-1.7%	-2.3%	-11.6%	-7.9%
Pocket Picking	85.7%	-35.9%	76.0%	-15.9%	76.2%	14.7%
Purse Snatching	-26.9%	10.5%	71.4%	-25.0%	3.8%	5.9%
Shoplifting	-2.3%	-3.6%	-2.0%	4.2%	-3.7%	0.2%
Theft from Building	-4.5%	-10.6%	-10.0%	-4.8%	-26.8%	-18.2%
From Coin Operated Machine	-28.9%	-9.4%	-6.9%	18.5%	-28.9%	-3.8%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	22.9%	-17.6%	7.5%	-13.1%	-5.4%	-12.6%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	8.4%	-15.8%	4.1%	-13.6%	-17.9%	-16.8%
Other	-13.9%	1.3%	-4.7%	11.2%	-7.5%	3.8%
Motor Vehicle Theft	21.4%	-9.1%	5.1%	6.1%	23.0%	9.9%
Autos	27.2%	-9.8%	2.3%	12.6%	32.2%	15.1%
Trucks and Buses	4.9%	-17.8%	27.4%	3.7%	13.8%	13.6%
Other Vehicles	6.3%	-0.8%	7.6%	-20.5%	-9.8%	-15.1%

Table 44: Crime Rates for Delaware Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 15-19

Crime Rates for Delaware Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019								
Delaware Population	945,937	954,077	967,813	974,051	972,332			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Structure	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Mobile	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Other	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Burglary	5.2	5.3	4.0	3.3	3.1			
Forcible Entry	2.3	2.3	1.7	1.4	1.3			
Unlawful Entry - No force	2.4	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.5			
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3			
Attempted Foreigne Entry	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.5			
Larceny/Theft	21.6	21.7	19.5	19.0	18.6			
Pocket Picking	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Shoplifting	6.6	6.4	6.1	5.9	6.2			
Theft from Building	6.0	5.7	5.0	4.5	4.3			
From Coin Operated Machine	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4.7	5.8	4.7	5.0	4.3			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7			
Other	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.6	3.0			
	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6			
Motor Vehicle Theft	1.3	1.0						
Motor Vehicle Theft Autos	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.3			
			1.1 0.1	1.1 0.1	1.3 0.1			

Delaware Serious Property Offense Arrests

Table 45: Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Adult Arrests	– Serious	Property C	Offenses		
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	14	22	14	22	18
Structure	6	11	5	15	11
Mobile	1	2	6	4	4
Other	7	9	3	3	3
Extortion/Blackmail	3	4	3	4	2
Burglary	850	923	799	548	621
Forcible Entry	389	388	361	245	249
Unlawful Entry - No force	425	492	404	257	341
Attempted Forcible Entry	36	43	34	46	31
Larceny/Theft	5,651	5,448	4,610	4,143	4,185
Pocket Picking	4	5	2	10	3
Purse Snatching	4	2	3	5	3
Shoplifting	4,132	3,974	3,216	3,020	2,996
Theft from Building	1,076	1,022	906	687	700
From Coin Operated Machine	9	12	4	1	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	171	238	225	180	227
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	28	28	34	29	29
Other	227	167	220	211	226
Motor Vehicle Theft	84	90	104	76	119
Autos	59	60	87	58	91
Trucks and Buses	17	10	9	13	16
Other Vehicles	8	20	8	5	12

Table 46: Statewide Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19, by Demographics

Statewide Adult Arrests – Serio	ous Property Offe	enses by Ge	ender, Race	e, and Ethn	icity
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	14	22	14	22	18
Percent Male	85.7%	72.7%	92.9%	54.5%	77.8%
Percent White	42.9%	72.7%	57.1%	40.9%	44.4%
Percent Black	57.1%	22.7%	42.9%	54.5%	55.6%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11.1%
Extortion/Blackmail	3	4	3	4	2
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	50.0%	100.0%
Percent White	66.7%	50.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%
Percent Black	33.3%	50.0%	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burglary	850	923	799	548	621
Percent Male	84.1%	84.0%	83.2%	85.9%	83.9%
Percent White	71.8%	69.0%	65.1%	59.9%	59.9%
Percent Black	28.1%	30.2%	34.7%	39.8%	39.5%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.0%	3.8%	4.4%	3.3%	5.8%
Larceny/Theft	5,561	5,448	4,610	4,143	4,185
Percent Male	55.8%	56.5%	58.4%	57.4%	61.2%
Percent White	64.3%	61.6%	59.5%	57.4%	51.8%
Percent Black	35.3%	37.8%	39.9%	42.0%	47.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.3%	4.1%	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%
Motor Vehicle Theft	84	90	104	76	119
Percent Male	79.8%	75.6%	83.7%	78.9%	77.3%
Percent White	58.3%	54.4%	49.0%	60.5%	43.7%
Percent Black	39.3%	45.6%	50.0%	36.8%	56.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.2%	3.3%	2.9%	2.6%	6.7%

Table 47: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Juvenile Arres	ts – Serious	s Property	Offenses		
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	17	4	18	2	7
Structure	14	1	15	1	6
Mobile	1	0	1	0	1
Other	2	3	2	1	0
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0	0
Burglary	185	141	146	132	146
Forcible Entry	67	57	84	56	53
Unlawful Entry - No force	105	69	59	64	87
Attempted Forcible Entry	13	15	3	12	6
Larceny/Theft	605	552	473	370	335
Pocket Picking	1	0	3	1	0
Purse Snatching	0	0	2	3	1
Shoplifting	367	340	258	205	154
Theft from Building	121	98	108	62	64
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	1	1	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	66	71	37	59	74
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	4	0	4	0	3
Other	46	43	60	39	39
Motor Vehicle Theft	30	34	34	41	75
Autos	25	25	21	32	62
Trucks and Buses	1	2	5	0	9
Other Vehicles	4	7	8	9	4

Table 48: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19, by Demographics

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Sei	ious Property Of	fenses by G	Gender, Ra	ce, and Eth	nicity
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	17	4	18	2	7
Percent Male	82.4%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent White	58.8%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	42.9%
Percent Black	41.2%	100.0%	33.3%	100.0%	57.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	14.3%
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0	0
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent White	66.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Black	33.3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Burglary	185	141	146	132	146
Percent Male	89.7%	93.6%	90.4%	89.4%	89.7%
Percent White	31.4%	36.0%	51.4%	28.8%	37.7%
Percent Black	68.6%	61.0%	48.6%	71.2%	61.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.0%	7.8%	14.4%	6.1%	8.2%
Larceny/Theft	605	552	473	370	335
Percent Male	57.4%	61.6%	64.5%	62.2%	68.1%
Percent White	38.5%	40.8%	34.2%	35.9%	31.6%
Percent Black	61.0%	58.9%	64.7%	63.5%	67.8%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	7.8%	7.8%	5.9%	6.3%
Motor Vehicle Theft	30	34	34	41	75
Percent Male	86.7%	88.2%	100.0%	90.2%	86.7%
Percent White	30.0%	35.3%	38.2%	22.0%	10.7%
Percent Black	70.0%	61.8%	61.8%	78.0%	89.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.3%	5.9%	5.9%	7.3%	2.7%

New Castle County Serious Property Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were more than 12% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. Two out of the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Larceny and Burglary—decreased significantly, 11.0% and 32.8%. Motor Vehicle Theft increased from 2015 by almost 31.6%. Of special note:

- Shoplifting and Theft from a Building, two of the three most common Larceny Offenses, decreased 13.2% and 22.7% compared to 2015. The third offense, Theft from a Motor Vehicle increased 4.4%.
- Motor Vehicle Theft increased almost 32% since 2015, which is similar to the Statewide trend.

For almost all Serious Property Offense crimes, just over 25% of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. However, offenses for most crimes within this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years. Burglary clearance rates have shown a slow but steady climb over the five-year period.

Tables 49 – 55 and Figure 20 provide detailed information about New Castle County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 20.

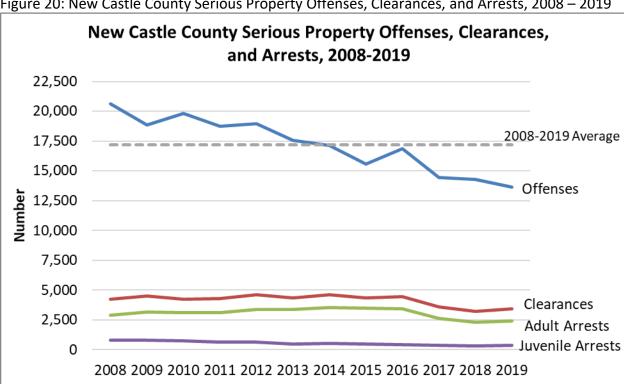


Figure 20: New Castle County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 49: New Castle Cnty Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses, 15-19

New Castle County Serious Offens	ses and Cle	arances – S	Serious Pro	operty Off	enses
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Serious Property Offenses	15,554	16,839	14,454	14,274	13,643
Percent Cleared	28.0%	26.3%	24.7%	22.6%	25.1%
Arson	98	92	69	58	55
Percent Cleared	28.6%	27.2%	21.7%	19.0%	45.5%
Structure	46	42	39	27	29
Percent Cleared	30.4%	38.1%	23.1%	25.9%	48.3%
Mobile	21	24	16	16	16
Percent Cleared	19.0%	8.3%	18.8%	6.3%	25.0%
Other	31	26	14	15	10
Percent Cleared	32.3%	26.9%	21.4%	20.0%	70.0%
Extortion/Blackmail	11	14	20	36	26
Percent Cleared	27.3%	28.6%	15.0%	16.7%	23.1%
Burglary	2,581	2,761	2,151	1,821	1,735
Percent Cleared	22.2%	23.5%	27.4%	27.5%	34.2%
Forcible Entry	1,106	1,203	903	799	753
Percent Cleared	20.5%	21.6%	28.1%	29.0%	27.4%
Unlawful Entry - No force	1,165	1,243	990	839	816
Percent Cleared	26.2%	26.5%	28.6%	27.2%	40.4%
Attempted Forcible Entry	310	315	258	183	166
Percent Cleared	12.9%	18.7%	20.2%	22.4%	34.3%

Table 49: New Castle... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (cont.)

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (Continued)								
Serious Property	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Larceny/Theft	11,965	12,772	11,166	11,272	10,644			
Percent Cleared	30.4%	28.1%	25.4%	22.8%	24.3%			
Pocket Picking	18	23	15	28	26			
Percent Cleared	22.2%	21.7%	20.0%	28.6%	19.2%			
Purse Snatching	23	13	16	22	17			
Percent Cleared	8.7%	38.5%	12.5%	18.2%	29.4%			
Shoplifting	3,794	3,750	3,389	3,178	3,293			
Percent Cleared	66.6%	63.1%	53.3%	48.7%	45.5%			
Theft from Building	3,013	2,971	2,637	2,467	2,330			
Percent Cleared	24.1%	25.4%	25.5%	23.8%	26.7%			
From Coin Operated Machine	22	18	14	5	19			
Percent Cleared	22.7%	27.8%	35.7%	0.0%	5.3%			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	2,923	3,999	3,261	3,596	3,053			
Percent Cleared	5.5%	6.9%	5.3%	5.5%	7.6%			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	607	699	537	628	514			
Percent Cleared	3.5%	4.4%	4.5%	4.8%	6.4%			
Other	1,565	1,299	1,297	1,348	1,392			
Percent Cleared	11.9%	11.3%	12.0%	14.5%	13.6%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	899	1,200	1,048	1,087	1,183			
Percent Cleared	12.9%	13.8%	11.0%	12.2%	18.7%			
Autos	735	994	874	865	981			
Percent Cleared	12.9%	14.1%	10.1%	13.1%	19.0%			
Trucks and Buses	72	94	71	93	109			
Percent Cleared	18.1%	17.0%	18.3%	12.9%	17.4%			
Other Vehicles	92	112	103	129	93			
Percent Cleared	8.7%	8.9%	13.6%	6.2%	17.2%			

Table 50: New Castle Cnty Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received, 15-19

New Castle County Perce	entage Diffe	erence in S	Serious Pro	perty Offe	nses Rece	ived
	15 - 16	16 - 17	17 – 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19
All Serious Property Offenses	8.3%	-14.2%	-1.2%	-4.4%	-12.3%	-10.7%
Arson	-6.1%	-25.0%	-15.9%	-5.2%	-43.9%	-30.6%
Structure	-8.7%	-7.1%	-30.8%	7.4%	-37.0%	-24.7%
Mobile	14.3%	-33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	-23.8%	-16.9%
Other	-16.1%	-46.2%	7.1%	-33.3%	-67.7%	-53.5%
Extortion/Blackmail	27.3%	42.9%	80.0%	-27.8%	136.4%	28.4%
Burglary	7.0%	-22.1%	-15.3%	-4.7%	-32.8%	-25.5%
Forcible Entry	8.8%	-24.9%	-11.5%	-5.8%	-31.9%	-24.9%
Unlawful Entry - No force	6.7%	-20.4%	-15.3%	-2.7%	-30.0%	-23.0%
Attempted Forcible Entry	1.6%	-18.1%	-29.1%	-9.3%	-46.5%	-37.7%
Larceny/Theft	6.7%	-12.6%	0.9%	-5.6%	-11.0%	-9.7%
Pocket Picking	27.8%	-34.8%	86.7%	-7.1%	44.4%	23.8%
Purse Snatching	-43.5%	23.1%	37.5%	-22.7%	-26.1%	-8.1%
Shoplifting	-1.2%	-9.6%	-6.2%	3.6%	-13.2%	-6.7%
Theft from Building	-1.4%	-11.2%	-6.4%	-5.6%	-22.7%	-15.9%
From Coin Operated Machine	-18.2%	-22.2%	-64.3%	280.0%	-13.6%	28.8%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	36.8%	-18.5%	10.3%	-15.1%	4.4%	-11.4%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	15.2%	-23.2%	16.9%	-18.2%	-15.3%	-16.8%
Other	-17.0%	-0.2%	3.9%	3.3%	-11.1%	1.1%
Motor Vehicle Theft	33.5%	-12.7%	3.7%	8.8%	31.6%	11.8%
Autos	35.2%	-12.1%	-1.0%	13.4%	33.5%	13.1%
Trucks and Buses	30.6%	-24.5%	31.0%	17.2%	51.4%	32.1%
Other Vehicles	21.7%	-8.0%	25.2%	-27.9%	1.1%	-14.7%

Table 51: Crime Rates for NCC Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 19

Crime Rates for New Castle County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
New Castle County Population	556,786	560,147	564,193	564,568	562,694				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Arson	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1				
Structure	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1				
Mobile	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Other	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1				
Burglary	7.3	7.2	3.8	3.2	3.1				
Forcible Entry	3.2	2.8	1.6	1.4	1.3				
Unlawful Entry - No force	3.4	3.6	1.8	1.5	1.4				
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.3				
Larceny/Theft	18.9	17.3	19.8	20.0	18.9				
Pocket Picking	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Shoplifting	4.6	4.7	6.0	5.6	5.8				
Theft from Building	6.2	5.6	4.7	4.4	4.1				
From Coin Operated Machine	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1				
Theft from Motor Vehicle	3.0	2.7	5.8	6.4	5.4				
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0.7	0.6	1.0	1.1	0.9				
Other	4.2	3.6	2.3	2.4	2.5				
Motor Vehicle Theft	0.9	0.7	1.9	1.9	2.1				
Autos	0.4	0.3	1.5	1.5	1.7				
Trucks and Buses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2				
Other Vehicles	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2				

New Castle County Serious Property Offense Arrests

Table 52: New Castle County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Arson	10	12	6	8	10				
Structure	4	6	3	4	6				
Mobile	1	1	2	1	2				
Other	5	5	1	3	2				
Extortion/Blackmail	1	2	0	2	2				
Burglary	303	350	318	262	307				
Forcible Entry	119	143	137	119	118				
Unlawful Entry - No force	167	185	167	119	170				
Attempted Forcible Entry	17	22	14	24	19				
Larceny/Theft	3,112	3,018	2,274	1,985	2,007				
Pocket Picking	2	4	1	7	3				
Purse Snatching	2	0	1	3	1				
Shoplifting	2,509	2,387	1,737	1,490	1,449				
Theft from Building	436	448	351	293	351				
From Coin Operated Machine	4	5	3	0	0				
Theft from Motor Vehicle	65	87	85	78	85				
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	10	17	15	18	22				
Other	84	70	81	96	96				
	38	40	39	29	55				
Motor Vehicle Theft	38								
Motor Vehicle Theft Autos	34	33	30	24	43				
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Table 53: NCC Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 15-19

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity									
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Arson	10	12	6	8	10				
Percent Male	80.0%	66.7%	100.0%	37.5%	90.0%				
Percent White	40.0%	66.7%	66.7%	50.0%	50.0%				
Percent Black	60.0%	25.0%	33.3%	50.0%	50.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%				
Extortion/Blackmail	1	2	0	2	2				
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	100.0%				
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	50.0%	100.0%				
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	50.0%	0.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%				
Burglary	303	350	318	262	307				
Percent Male	83.2%	86.3%	85.2%	90.5%	85.3%				
Percent White	60.4%	62.3%	51.9%	50.4%	55.7%				
Percent Black	39.3%	37.7%	48.1%	48.9%	44.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.3%	4.9%	7.2%	5.7%	8.8%				
Larceny/Theft	3,112	3,018	2,274	1,985	2,007				
Percent Male	53.5%	52.9%	57.0%	55.6%	57.9%				
Percent White	60.8%	58.0%	53.2%	51.2%	46.8%				
Percent Black	38.7%	41.2%	45.9%	48.4%	52.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.6%	3.9%	4.3%	4.5%	5.0%				
Motor Vehicle Theft	38	40	39	29	55				
Percent Male	68.4%	82.5%	87.2%	79.3%	81.8%				
Percent White	52.6%	40.0%	46.2%	58.6%	38.2%				
Percent Black	44.7%	60.0%	51.3%	37.9%	61.8%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	7.5%	7.7%	6.9%	9.1%				

Table 54: New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	7	1	4	0	2			
Structure	6	1	4	0	2			
Mobile	1	0	0	0	0			
Other	0	0	0	0	0			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Burglary	105	77	79	73	85			
Forcible Entry	30	30	44	35	24			
Unlawful Entry - No force	69	39	34	32	56			
Attempted Forcible Entry	6	8	1	6	5			
Larceny/Theft	350	318	263	214	213			
Pocket Picking	1	0	3	1	0			
Purse Snatching	0	0	1	3	0			
Shoplifting	239	209	164	122	100			
Theft from Building	55	49	56	33	35			
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	1	0	0			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	28	49	20	31	54			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0	0	0	0	2			
Other	27	11	18	24	22			
Motor Vehicle Theft	18	21	18	23	53			
Autos	18	18	10	21	42			
Trucks and Buses	0	2	4	0	9			
Other Vehicles	0	1	4	2	2			

Table 55: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019,										
by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity										
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019					
Arson	7	1	4	0	2					
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%					
Percent White	57.1%	0.0%	25.0%	N/A	50.0%					
Percent Black	42.9%	100.0%	75.0%	N/A	50.0%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	N/A	0.05					
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0					
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A					
Burglary	105	77	79	73	85					
Percent Male	83.8%	93.5%	94.9%	86.3%	96.5%					
Percent White	27.6%	33.8%	45.6%	16.4%	25.9%					
Percent Black	72.4%	66.2%	54.4%	83.6%	74.1%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.6%	10.4%	16.5%	6.8%	9.4%					
Larceny/Theft	350	318	263	214	213					
Percent Male	54.0%	57.2%	63.5%	62.1%	64.3%					
Percent White	33.4%	38.4%	30.8%	29.0%	24.4%					
Percent Black	66.0%	61.3%	67.7%	70.6%	75.1%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.7%	8.8%	8.4%	8.9%	6.1%					
Motor Vehicle Theft	18	21	18	23	53					
Percent Male	83.3%	85.7%	100.0%	82.6%	90.6%					
Percent White	16.7%	33.3%	38.9%	17.4%	11.3%					
Percent Black	83.3%	66.7%	61.1%	82.6%	88.7%					
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	13.0%	3.8%					

Kent County Serious Property Offenses and ClearanOces

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were 15.8% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. Two of the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses— Larceny and Burglary decreased considerably. The number of Larceny Offenses decreased 13.9% from 2015 to 2019, with Burglary decreasing 38.7%. Motor Vehicle Theft, the other most common offense, increased 29.8% from 2015 to 2019. Of special note:

- Shoplifting Offenses have increased 7.3% since 2015 but has been climbing slowly for multiple years.
- Theft from a Building Offenses decreased notably since 2015 (29.6%).
- Motor Vehicle Theft of Automobiles has increased 65.4% since 2015 to a report period high in 2019.

For all Serious Property Offense crimes, almost 40% of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Most offenses within this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 56 – 62 and Figure 21 provide detailed information about Kent County Serious Property Offenses, clearances, and juvenile and adult arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 21.

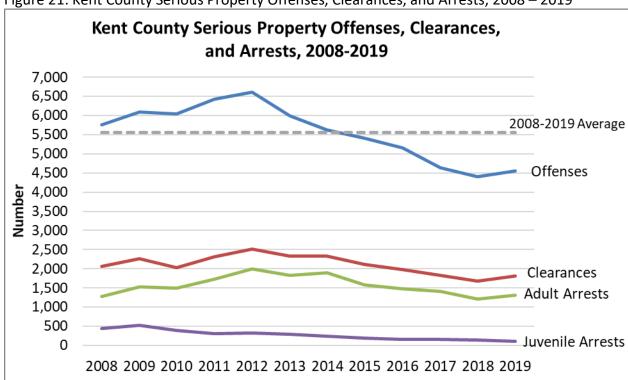


Figure 21: Kent County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 56: Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
All Serious Property Offenses	5,408	5,164	4,643	4,406	4,556		
Percent Cleared	39.2%	38.2%	39.5%	37.9%	39.7%		
Arson	38	52	42	32	39		
Percent Cleared	42.1%	36.5%	31.0%	34.4%	35.9%		
Structure	17	23	26	19	22		
Percent Cleared	58.8%	39.1%	38.5%	36.8%	45.5%		
Mobile	6	10	6	4	6		
Percent Cleared	0.0%	10.0%	16.7%	50.0%	33.3%		
Other	15	19	10	9	11		
Percent Cleared	40.0%	47.4%	20.0%	22.2%	18.2%		
Extortion/Blackmail	4	4	3	8	5		
Percent Cleared	75.0%	25.0%	66.7%	25.0%	40.0%		
Burglary	757	747	598	447	464		
Percent Cleared	39.2%	37.5%	40.5%	37.6%	47.2%		
Forcible Entry	339	333	277	187	225		
Percent Cleared	39.8%	39.3%	43.0%	44.9%	52.9%		
Unlawful Entry - No force	348	345	280	210	213		
Percent Cleared	39.1%	37.1%	39.6%	33.8%	42.3%		
Attempted Forcible Entry	70	69	41	50	26		
Percent Cleared	37.1%	30.4%	29.3%	26.0%	38.5%		

Table 56: Kent... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19 (cont)

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (Continued)								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Larceny/Theft	4,431	4,176	3,825	3,699	3,817			
Percent Cleared	39.5%	38.7%	39.5%	38.7%	39.0%			
Pocket Picking	1	4	6	12	5			
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	16.7%	20.0%			
Purse Snatching	2	5	4	11	5			
Percent Cleared	50.0%	20.0%	75.0%	27.3%	20.0%			
Shoplifting	1,458	1,334	1,388	1,478	1,565			
Percent Cleared	66.6%	65.4%	59.0%	58.3%	55.6%			
Theft from Building	1,340	1,233	1,161	977	943			
Percent Cleared	38.0%	36.1%	37.7%	34.9%	37.0%			
From Coin Operated Machine	4	2	6	7	4			
Percent Cleared	25.0%	100.0%	16.7%	42.9%	25.0%			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	895	900	580	591	538			
Percent Cleared	15.6%	22.3%	20.2%	19.1%	25.7%			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	101	113	106	92	91			
Percent Cleared	9.9%	8.8%	6.6%	8.7%	12.1%			
Other	630	585	574	531	666			
Percent Cleared	18.9%	14.5%	21.8%	18.6%	17.7%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	178	185	175	220	231			
Percent Cleared	30.3%	30.8%	38.3%	26.8%	37.2%			
Autos	104	112	101	142	172			
Percent Cleared	36.5%	30.4%	41.6%	31.7%	40.1%			
Trucks and Buses	24	20	15	18	21			
Percent Cleared	41.7%	40.0%	40.0%	22.2%	33.3%			
Other Vehicles	50	53	59	60	38			
Percent Cleared	12.0%	28.3%	32.2%	16.7%	26.3%			

Table 57: Kent County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received, 2015 – 19

Kent County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received								
-	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 – 19		
All Serious Property Offenses	-4.5%	-10.1%	-5.1%	3.4%	-15.8%	-7.1%		
Arson	36.8%	-19.2%	-23.8%	21.9%	2.6%	-4.9%		
Structure	35.3%	13.0%	-26.9%	15.8%	29.4%	3.5%		
Mobile	66.7%	-40.0%	-33.3%	50.0%	0.0%	-7.7%		
Other	26.7%	-47.4%	-10.0%	22.2%	-26.7%	-17.0%		
Extortion/Blackmail	0.0%	-25.0%	166.7%	-37.5%	25.0%	5.3%		
Burglary	-1.3%	-19.9%	-25.3%	3.8%	-38.7%	-27.2%		
Forcible Entry	-1.8%	-16.8%	-32.5%	20.3%	-33.6%	-20.8%		
Unlawful Entry - No force	-0.9%	-18.8%	-25.0%	1.4%	-38.8%	-28.0%		
Attempted Forcible Entry	-1.4%	-40.6%	22.0%	-48.0%	-62.9%	-54.8%		
Larceny/Theft	-5.8%	-8.4%	-3.3%	3.2%	-13.9%	-5.3%		
Pocket Picking	300.0%	50.0%	100.0%	-58.3%	400.0%	-13.0%		
Purse Snatching	150.0%	-20.0%	175.0%	-54.5%	150.0%	-9.1%		
Shoplifting	-8.5%	4.0%	6.5%	5.9%	7.3%	10.6%		
Theft from Building	-8.0%	-5.8%	-15.8%	-3.5%	-29.6%	-19.9%		
From Coin Operated Machine	-50.0%	200.0%	16.7%	-42.9%	0.0%	-15.8%		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	0.6%	-35.6%	1.9%	-9.0%	-39.9%	-27.4%		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	11.9%	-6.2%	-13.2%	-1.1%	-9.9%	-11.7%		
Other	-7.1%	-1.9%	-7.5%	25.4%	5.7%	14.8%		
Motor Vehicle Theft	3.9%	-5.4%	25.7%	5.0%	29.8%	21.9%		
Autos	7.7%	-9.8%	40.6%	21.1%	65.4%	49.9%		
Trucks and Buses	-16.7%	-25.0%	20.0%	16.7%	-12.5%	9.1%		
Other Vehicles	6.0%	11.3%	1.7%	-36.7%	-24.0%	-31.5%		

Table 58: Crime Rates for Kent County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People

Crime Rates for Kent County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
Kent County Population	173,529	175,110	180,610	180,396	178,019			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2			
Structure	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Mobile	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Other	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1			
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1			
Burglary	4.4	4.3	3.3	2.5	2.6			
Forcible Entry	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.0	1.3			
Unlawful Entry - No force	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.2	1.2			
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1			
Larceny/Theft	25.5	23.8	21.2	20.5	21.4			
Pocket Picking	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Shoplifting	8.4	7.6	7.7	8.2	8.8			
Theft from Building	7.7	7.0	6.4	5.4	5.3			
From Coin Operated Machine	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	5.2	5.1	3.2	3.3	3.0			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5			
Other	3.6	3.3	3.2	2.9	3.7			
Motor Vehicle Theft	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.3			
					4.0			
Autos	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.0			
	0.6 0.1	0.6 0.1	0.6	0.8	0.1			

Kent County Serious Property Offense Arrests

Table 59: Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Adult Arrest		•			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	4	4	5	6	6
Structure	2	1	2	4	3
Mobile	0	1	2	2	2
Other	2	2	1	0	1
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0	1	0
Burglary	188	193	179	80	136
Forcible Entry	90	87	81	37	63
Unlawful Entry - No force	87	97	94	37	70
Attempted Forcible Entry	11	9	4	6	3
Larceny/Theft	1,363	1,267	1,189	1,110	1,122
Pocket Picking	2	0	1	2	0
Purse Snatching	2	2	2	1	2
Shoplifting	965	880	821	859	837
Theft from Building	274	247	244	163	168
From Coin Operated Machine	1	0	1	0	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	54	99	64	37	64
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	6	3	7	4	3
Other	59	36	49	44	48
Motor Vehicle Theft	21	19	34	16	39
Autos	14	11	31	13	31
Trucks and Buses	5	3	0	2	5
Other Vehicles	2	5	3	1	3

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Table 60: Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Arson	4	4	5	6	6				
Percent Male	100.0%	75.0%	80.0%	66.7%	66.7%				
Percent White	50.0%	75.0%	40.0%	50.0%	50.0%				
Percent Black	50.0%	25.0%	60.0%	33.3%	50.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%				
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0	1	0				
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A				
Percent White	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A				
Percent Black	0.0%	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A				
Burglary	188	193	179	80	136				
Percent Male	84.0%	83.4%	82.7%	88.8%	81.6%				
Percent White	69.7%	64.8%	71.5%	48.8%	60.3%				
Percent Black	30.3%	33.2%	28.5%	51.3%	38.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.7%	2.1%	1.7%	2.5%	0.0%				
Larceny/Theft	1,363	1,267	1,189	1,110	1,122				
Percent Male	57.2%	59.0%	59.6%	56.7%	61.6%				
Percent White	61.5%	60.0%	60.3%	54.1%	48.3%				
Percent Black	38.3%	39.5%	39.4%	45.0%	51.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.2%	3.6%	4.0%	4.3%	3.1%				
Motor Vehicle Theft	21	19	34	16	39				
Percent Male	81.0%	84.2%	94.1%	81.3%	71.8%				
Percent White	61.9%	47.4%	41.2%	50.0%	41.0%				
Percent Black	38.1%	52.6%	58.8%	50.0%	59.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%				

Table 61: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Juvenile Arre	Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Arson	5	1	6	1	4		
Structure	4	0	6	0	4		
Mobile	0	0	0	0	0		
Other	1	1	0	1	0		
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0	0		
D. uralo m.	38	22	23	20	20		
Burglary		32	_	30	29		
Forcible Entry	20	10	16	8	18		
Unlawful Entry - No force	16	17	6	20	10		
Attempted Forcible Entry	2	5	1	2	1		
	420	424	445	02			
Larceny/Theft	139	124	115	92	57		
Pocket Picking	0	0	0	0	0		
Purse Snatching	0	0	1	0	0		
Shoplifting	63	68	45	42	24		
Theft from Building	41	29	30	19	15		
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	0	1	0		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	24	16	9	20	12		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	3	0	4	0	1		
Other	8	11	26	10	5		
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	7	12	13	16		
Autos	4	6	8	8	15		
Trucks and Buses	0	0	1	0	0		
Other Vehicles	2	1	3	5	1		

Table 62: Kent... Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 19,								
by Ger	nder, Race, and	I Ethnicity						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	5	1	6	1	4			
Percent Male	40.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	60.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	25.0%			
Percent Black	40.0%	100.0%	50.0%	100.0%	75.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.05			
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	66.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	33.3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Burglary	38	32	23	30	29			
Percent Male	94.7%	93.8%	91.3%	90.0%	82.8%			
Percent White	42.1%	37.5%	43.5%	40.0%	34.5%			
Percent Black	57.9%	62.5%	56.5%	0.0%	62.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.5%	6.3%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%			
Larceny/Theft	139	124	115	92	57			
Percent Male	61.2%	75.8%	72.2%	71.7%	80.7%			
Percent White	35.3%	26.6%	26.1%	40.2%	22.8%			
Percent Black	64.7%	72.6%	73.9%	58.7%	75.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.2%	5.6%	6.1%	1.1%	7.0%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	7	12	13	16			
Percent Male	100.0%	85.7%	100.0%	100.0%	68.8%			
Percent White	16.7%	42.9%	33.3%	23.1%	6.3%			
Percent Black	83.3%	57.1%	66.7%	76.9%	93.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			

Sussex County Serious Property Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Serious Property Offenses in the county were 20.4% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Larceny, Burglary, and Motor Vehicle Theft—all exhibited decreases. Burglary and Motor Vehicle Theft Offenses declined 46.1% and 22.6%, respectively, from 2015 to 2019, Larceny Offenses were down 11.0%. Of special note:

- Burglary continues a long downward trend with a 11.6% decrease from 2018 to 2019, and a 46.1% decrease from 2015.
- Theft from a Building has decreased 33.2% since 2015.
- Shoplifting has been slowly increasing since 2015 and has risen 16.3% over that period.
- Sussex County was the only county with decreases in Motor Vehicle Theft, while New Castle and Kent Counties showed substantial increases.

For most Serious Property Offense crimes, just under 39% of offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. However, offenses for almost all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 63 – 69 and Figure 22 provide detailed information about Sussex County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 22.

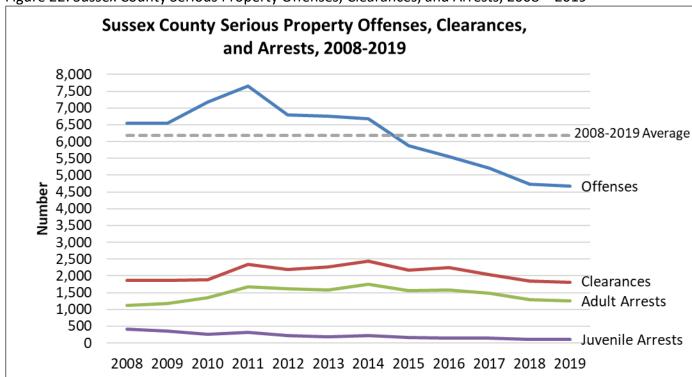


Figure 22: Sussex County Serious Property Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 63: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses, 15-19

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
All Serious Property Offenses	5,872	5,562	5,201	4,740	4,673			
Percent Cleared	37.1%	40.6%	39.3%	39.1%	38.8%			
Arson	25	37	33	45	34			
Percent Cleared	44.0%	24.3%	33.3%	53.3%	32.4%			
Structure	14	20	16	38	22			
Percent Cleared	35.7%	20.0%	25.0%	55.3%	36.4%			
Mobile	2	4	8	3	7			
Percent Cleared	50.0%	0.0%	37.5%	66.7%	14.3%			
Other	9	13	9	4	5			
Percent Cleared	55.6%	38.5%	44.4%	25.0%	40.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	4	8	8	17	14			
Percent Cleared	50.0%	37.5%	50.0%	5.9%	21.4%			
Burglary	1,576	1,574	1,124	961	850			
Percent Cleared	32.4%	41.1%	33.9%	31.4%	30.1%			
Forcible Entry	700	614	476	384	332			
Percent Cleared	35.1%	37.6%	37.4%	38.0%	28.9%			
Unlawful Entry - No force	729	783	529	471	417			
Percent Cleared	33.3%	46.9%	32.7%	27.4%	33.6%			
Attempted Forcible Entry	147	177	119	106	101			
Percent Cleared	14.3%	27.7%	25.2%	25.5%	19.8%			

Table 63: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (cont.)

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Serious Property Offenses (Continued)							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Larceny/Theft	4,072	3,784	3,855	3,549	3,624		
Percent Cleared	38.9%	40.4%	41.1%	41.1%	41.0%		
Pocket Picking	2	12	4	4	6		
Percent Cleared	0.0%	33.3%	50.0%	25.0%	16.7%		
Purse Snatching	1	1	1	3	5		
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	80.0%		
Shoplifting	996	1,023	1,110	1,115	1,158		
Percent Cleared	66.6%	67.5%	63.2%	62.8%	63.0%		
Theft from Building	1,341	1,235	1,067	937	896		
Percent Cleared	42.8%	43.1%	44.6%	43.1%	40.6%		
From Coin Operated Machine	19	12	9	15	9		
Percent Cleared	21.1%	50.0%	11.1%	46.7%	11.1%		
Theft from Motor Vehicle	651	591	684	675	635		
Percent Cleared	24.0%	23.0%	31.3%	26.8%	32.1%		
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	153	121	143	98	102		
Percent Cleared	14.4%	11.6%	19.6%	17.3%	11.8%		
Other	909	789	837	702	813		
Percent Cleared	18.4%	18.5%	19.6%	21.1%	21.0%		
Motor Vehicle Theft	195	159	181	168	151		
Percent Cleared	34.4%	43.4%	33.7%	39.3%	37.1%		
Autos	86	71	87	79	70		
Percent Cleared	37.2%	49.3%	52.9%	45.6%	47.1%		
Trucks and Buses	27	15	20	24	10		
Percent Cleared	48.1%	46.7%	30.0%	54.2%	50.0%		
Other Vehicles	82	73	74	65	71		
Percent Cleared	26.8%	37.0%	12.2%	26.2%	25.4%		

Table 64: Sussex County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received, 15-19

Sussex County Percent	Sussex County Percentage Difference in Serious Property Offenses Received									
-	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19				
All Serious Property Offenses	-5.3%	-6.5%	-8.9%	-1.4%	-20.4%	-12.6%				
Arson	48.0%	-10.8%	36.4%	-24.4%	36.0%	-2.9%				
Structure	42.9%	-20.0%	137.5%	-42.1%	57.1%	0.0%				
Mobile	100.0%	100.0%	-62.5%	133.3%	250.0%	64.7%				
Other	44.4%	-30.8%	-55.6%	25.0%	-44.4%	-42.9%				
Extortion/Blackmail	100.0%	0.0%	112.5%	-17.6%	250.0%	51.4%				
Burglary	-0.1%	-28.6%	-14.5%	-11.6%	-46.1%	-35.1%				
Forcible Entry	-12.3%	-22.5%	-19.3%	-13.5%	-52.6%	-38.9%				
Unlawful Entry - No force	7.4%	-32.4%	-11.0%	-11.5%	-42.8%	-33.6%				
Attempted Forcible Entry	20.4%	-32.8%	-10.9%	-4.7%	-31.3%	-26.4%				
Larceny/Theft	-7.1%	1.9%	-7.9%	2.1%	-11.0%	-5.0%				
Pocket Picking	500.0%	-66.7%	0.0%	50.0%	200.0%	9.1%				
Purse Snatching	0.0%	0.0%	200.0%	66.7%	400.0%	233.3%				
Shoplifting	2.7%	8.5%	0.5%	3.9%	16.3%	9.1%				
Theft from Building	-7.9%	-13.6%	-12.2%	-4.4%	-33.2%	-21.7%				
From Coin Operated Machine	-36.8%	-25.0%	66.7%	-40.0%	-52.6%	-34.5%				
Theft from Motor Vehicle	-9.2%	15.7%	-1.3%	-5.9%	-2.5%	-2.3%				
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	-20.9%	18.2%	-31.5%	4.1%	-33.3%	-20.8%				
Other	-13.2%	6.1%	-16.1%	15.8%	-10.6%	0.5%				
Motor Vehicle Theft	-18.5%	13.8%	-7.2%	-10.1%	-22.6%	-14.1%				
Autos	-17.4%	22.5%	-9.2%	-11.4%	-18.6%	-13.3%				
Trucks and Buses	-44.4%	33.3%	20.0%	-58.3%	-63.0%	-53.5%				
Other Vehicles	-11.0%	1.4%	-12.2%	9.2%	-13.4%	-3.4%				

Table 65: Crime Rates for Sussex... Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 15–19

Crime Rates for Sussex County Serious Property Offenses Received per 1,000 People								
Sussex County Population	215,622	218,820	223,010	223,010 229,087				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1			
Structure	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1			
Mobile	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Other	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Extortion/Blackmail	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1			
Burglary	7.3	7.2	5.0	4.2	3.7			
Forcible Entry	3.2	2.8	2.1	1.7	1.4			
Unlawful Entry - No force	3.4	3.6	2.4	2.1	1.8			
Attempted Forcible Entry	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.4			
Larceny/Theft	18.9	17.3	17.3	15.5	15.6			
Pocket Picking	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Purse Snatching	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1			
Shoplifting	4.6	4.7	5.0	4.9	5.0			
Theft from Building	6.2	5.6	4.8	4.1	3.9			
From Coin Operated Machine	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	3.0	2.7	3.1	2.9	2.7			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4			
Other	4.2	3.6	3.8	3.1	3.5			
Motor Vehicle Theft	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7			
Autos	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3			
Trucks and Buses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1			
Other Vehicles	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3			

Sussex County Serious Property Offense Arrests

Table 66: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Adult Arres	sts – Seriou	ıs Property	y Offenses		
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	0	6	3	8	2
Structure	0	4	0	7	2
Mobile	0	0	2	1	0
Other	0	2	1	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	1	2	3	1	0
Burglary	359	380	302	206	178
Forcible Entry	180	158	143	89	68
Unlawful Entry - No force	171	210	143	101	101
Attempted Forcible Entry	8	12	16	16	9
Larceny/Theft	1,176	1,163	1,147	1,048	1,056
Pocket Picking	0	1	0	1	0
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	1	0
Shoplifting	658	707	658	671	710
Theft from Building	366	327	311	231	181
From Coin Operated Machine	4	7	0	1	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	52	52	76	65	78
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	12	8	12	7	4
Other	84	61	90	71	82
Motor Vehicle Theft	25	31	31	31	25
Autos	11	16	26	21	17
Trucks and Buses	8	3	3	8	4
Other Vehicles	6	12	2	2	4

Table 67: Sussex...Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019,								
by Go	ender, Race, and	Ethnicity						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	0	6	3	8	2			
Percent Male	N/A	83.3%	100.0%	62.5%	50.0%			
Percent White	N/A	83.3%	66.7%	25.0%	0.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	16.7%	33.3%	75.0%	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Extortion/Blackmail	1	2	3	1	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	100.0%	N/A			
Percent White	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A			
Burglary	359	380	302	206	178			
Percent Male	85.0%	82.1%	81.5%	81.6%	83.1%			
Percent White	82.5%	77.4%	75.2%	76.2%	66.9%			
Percent Black	17.5%	21.8%	24.2%	23.8%	32.6%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.4%	3.7%	3.0%	0.5%	5.1%			
Larceny/Theft	1,176	1,163	1,147	1,048	1,056			
Percent Male	60.1%	63.3%	59.7%	61.7%	67.1%			
Percent White	76.9%	72.5%	71.3%	72.7%	65.0%			
Percent Black	22.9%	27.3%	28.4%	26.8%	34.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.3%	4.9%	2.0%	2.5%	2.9%			
Motor Vehicle Theft	25	31	31	31	25			
Percent Male	96.0%	61.3%	67.7%	77.4%	76.0%			
Percent White	64.0%	77.4%	61.3%	67.7%	60.0%			
Percent Black	32.0%	22.6%	38.7%	29.0%	40.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%			

Table 68: Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Juvenile Arro	Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Arson	5	2	8	1	1			
Structure	4	0	5	1	0			
Mobile	0	0	1	0	1			
Other	1	2	2	0	0			
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0			
Burglary	42	32	44	29	32			
Forcible Entry	17	17	24	13	11			
Unlawful Entry - No force	20	13	19	12	21			
Attempted Forcible Entry	5	2	1	4	0			
Larceny/Theft	116	110	95	64	65			
Pocket Picking	0	0	0	0	0			
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	1			
Shoplifting	65	63	49	41	30			
Theft from Building	25	20	22	10	14			
From Coin Operated Machine	0	0	0	0	0			
Theft from Motor Vehicle	14	6	8	8	8			
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts, Accessories	1	0	0	0	0			
Other	11	21	16	5	12			
Backey Valida Thaff								
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	6	4	5	6			
Autos	3	1	3	3	5			
Trucks and Buses	1	0	0	0	0			
Other Vehicles	2	5	1	2	1			

Table 69: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Serious Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Arson	5	2	8	1	1				
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%				
Percent White	60.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%				
Percent Black	40.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	100.0%				
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0				
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Burglary	42	32	44	29	32				
Percent Male	100.0%	93.8%	81.8%	96.6%	78.1%				
Percent White	31.0%	53.1%	65.9%	48.3%	71.9%				
Percent Black	69.0%	46.9%	34.1%	51.7%	25.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.4%	3.1%	18.2%	3.4%	12.5%				
Larceny/Theft	116	110	95	64	65				
Percent Male	62.9%	58.2%	57.9%	48.4%	69.2%				
Percent White	57.8%	63.6%	53.7%	53.1%	63.1%				
Percent Black	41.4%	36.4%	45.3%	46.9%	36.9%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.9%	7.3%	8.4%	3.1%	6.2%				
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	6	4	5	6				
Percent Male	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%				
Percent White	83.3%	33.3%	50.0%	40.0%	16.7%				
Percent Black	16.7%	50.0%	50.0%	60.0%	83.3%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	33.3%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%				

Delaware Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in 2019 have increased 13.6% Statewide. The patterns of differences for the two crimes in this category show varied trends. Drug/Narcotic Possession offenses increased from 2015 by 41.5% while Drug Equipment charges decreased 24.6%. Both offenses increased from 2018 to 2019, but Drug Possession offenses have been increasing for multiple years to varying degrees.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019 (95.8%). All Drug/Narcotic Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to the previous four years.

Tables 70 – 74 and Figure 23 provide detailed information about Statewide Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 23.

It should be noted that there is a noticeable decrease in arrests from 2015 to 2018. The primary cause for this arrest decline can be attributed to the civil marijuana possession statute changes that were implemented in December 2015. A smaller, yet still significant, portion is due to the surge in statewide overdoses over the last few years. Despite this previously decreasing trend, Drug arrests increased from 2018 to 2019.

Table 70: Statewide Drug and Narcotic Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

State Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019								
2015 2016 2017 2018 201								
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	11,613	10,920	11,545	11,940	13,195			
Percent Cleared	94.7%	93.4%	93.7%	95.3%	95.8%			
Drug/Narcotic	6,723	7,129	8,014	8,789	9,510			
Percent Cleared	92.8%	91.3%	92.0%	94.3%	94.9%			
Drug Equipment	4,890	3,791	3,531	3,151	3,685			
Percent Cleared	97.4%	97.3%	97.4%	98.0%	97.9%			

Table 71: Percentage Difference in State Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in State Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019								
						Average		
	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	15-18 vs 19		
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-6.0%	5.7%	3.4%	10.5%	13.6%	14.7%		
Drug/Narcotic	6.0%	12.4%	9.7%	8.2%	41.5%	24.1%		
Drug Equipment	-22.5%	-6.9%	-10.8%	16.9%	-24.6%	-4.1%		

Table 72: Crime Rates for Delaware Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019

Crime Rates for Delaware Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019									
Delaware Population	945,937 954,077 967,813 974,051 972,3								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	12.3	11.4	11.9	12.3	13.6				
Drug/Narcotic	7.1	7.5	8.3	9.0	9.8				
Drug Equipment	5.2	4.0	3.6	3.2	3.8				

Figure 23: Delaware Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

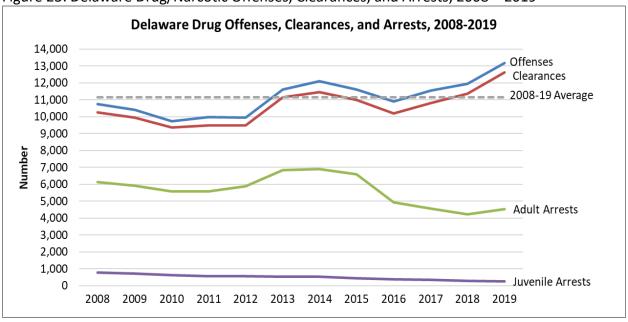


Table 73: State Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

State Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2015 2016 2017			2019			
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	6,586	4,937	4,577	4,225	4,541			
Drug/Narcotic	5,433	3,995	3,688	3,465	3,600			
Percent Male	79.2%	79.1%	79.0%	78.6%	78.9%			
Percent White	52.4%	50.6%	47.5%	45.0%	47.1%			
Percent Black	47.3%	49.2%	52.2%	54.5%	52.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.8%	4.1%	3.6%	5.4%	4.8%			
Drug Equipment	1,153	942	889	760	941			
Percent Male	68.3%	61.8%	63.4%	60.3%	63.0%			
Percent White	80.1%	78.5%	75.9%	76.6%	73.8%			
Percent Black	19.6%	21.3%	23.5%	23.0%	26.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.9%	3.2%	2.1%	3.9%	4.0%			

Table 74: State Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

State Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	429	363	351	288	266				
Drug/Narcotic	383	341	335	279	257				
Percent Male	80.7%	80.9%	83.3%	82.8%	85.2%				
Percent White	50.4%	50.4%	47.2%	49.1%	49.4%				
Percent Black	49.1%	48.4%	52.8%	49.1%	50.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.8%	9.4%	9.6%	6.1%	12.8%				
Drug Equipment	46	22	16	9	9				
Percent Male	78.3%	77.3%	81.3%	66.7%	100.0%				
Percent White	71.7%	59.1%	50.0%	88.9%	55.6%				
Percent Black	28.3%	36.4%	50.0%	0.0%	22.2%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	13.0%	18.2%	12.5%	22.2%	44.4%				

New Castle County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county were 12.5% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The patterns of differences for the two crimes in this category of offenses were very mixed. Drug/Narcotic Offenses rose 38.6%, while Drug Equipment Offenses decreased 38.3%.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all (93.7%) offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. All Drug/Narcotic Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 75 – 79 and Figure 24 provide detailed information about New Castle County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 24. It should be noted that there is a noticeable decrease in arrests from 2015 to 2018. The primary cause for this arrest decline can be attributed to the civil marijuana possession statute changes that were implemented in December 2015. A smaller, yet still significant, portion is due to the surge in statewide overdoses over the last few years. Despite this previously decreasing trend, Drug arrests increased from 2018 to 2019.

Table 75: New Castle County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019									
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019								
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	5,429	4,976	5,015	5,509	6,109				
Percent Cleared	93.8%	90.7%	91.2%	93.7%	93.7%				
Drug/Narcotic	3,586	3,713	4,006	4,611	4,971				
Percent Cleared	91.7%	88.8%	89.9%	93.0%	93.2%				
Drug Equipment	1,843	1,263	1,009	898	1,138				
Percent Cleared	97.9%	96.1%	96.3%	97.0%	96.2%				

Table 76: Percentage Difference in New Castle County Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in New Castle County Drug Offenses Received							
	15 – 16	.5 – 16 16 – 17 17 - 18 18 - 19 15 – 19 :					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-8.3%	0.8%	9.9%	10.9%	12.5%	16.8%	
Drug/Narcotic	3.5%	7.9%	15.1%	7.8%	38.6%	24.9%	
Drug Equipment	-31.5%	-20.1%	-11.0%	26.7%	-38.3%	-9.2%	

Table 77: Crime Rates for New Castle County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People

Crime Rates for New Castle County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People									
New Castle County Population	556,786 560,147 564,193 564,568 562,6								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	9.8	8.9	8.9	9.8	10.8				
Drug/Narcotic	6.4	6.6	7.1	8.2	8.8				
Drug Equipment	3.3	2.3	1.8	1.6	2.0				

Figure 24: New Castle County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

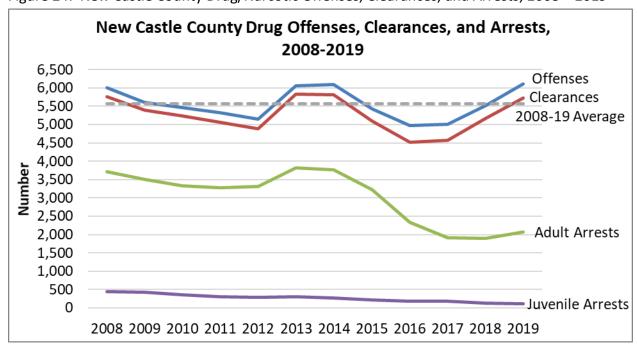


Table 78: New Castle County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics

New Castle County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2015 2016 2017		2018	2019			
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	3,227	2,338	1,913	1,890	2,077			
Drug/Narcotic	2,885	2,093	1,720	1,735	1,883			
Percent Male	82.0%	81.2%	81.7%	80.1%	80.5%			
Percent White	48.0%	47.3%	41.8%	41.4%	43.8%			
Percent Black	51.5%	52.7%	58.0%	58.0%	55.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.7%	5.6%	5.3%	7.2%	8.2%			
Drug Equipment	342	245	193	155	194			
Percent Male	63.5%	60.4%	64.8%	58.1%	62.4%			
Percent White	76.0%	84.5%	71.0%	67.1%	70.1%			
Percent Black	23.4%	15.1%	28.0%	31.6%	29.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.2%	2.9%	2.1%	4.5%	7.2%			

Table 79: New Castle County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics

New Castle County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019							
	2015	2016	2018	2019			
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	224	179	178	130	122		
Drug/Narcotic	206	173	176	129	121		
Percent Male	82.0%	82.7%	84.1%	87.6%	84.3%		
Percent White	39.8%	41.0%	43.2%	51.2%	50.4%		
Percent Black	59.2%	57.2%	56.8%	48.1%	49.6%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.3%	12.7%	12.5%	7.0%	15.7%		
Drug Equipment	18	6	2	1	1		
Percent Male	77.8%	66.7%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	61.1%	83.3%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	38.9%	16.7%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	11.1%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

Kent County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county in 2019 were almost even when compared with 2015, increasing only 1.1%. Drug Possession charges decreased from 2018 to 2019 after increasing since 2015. Drug Equipment charges increased from 2018 to 2019 after decreasing since 2015. Overall, Drug/Narcotic Possession Offenses have increased 26.8% from 2015 to 2019, Drug Equipment Offenses have decreased 26.7%.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019 (96.5%). All Drug/Narcotic Offenses in 2019 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years.

Tables 80 – 84 and Figure 25 provide detailed information about Kent County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests.

Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 25. It should be noted that there is a noticeable decrease in arrests from 2015 to 2019. The primary cause for this arrest decline can be attributed to the civil marijuana possession statute changes that were implemented in December 2015. A smaller, yet still significant, portion is due to the surge in statewide overdoses over the last few years.

Table 80: Kent County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 - 2019

Kent County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019							
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses Percent Cleared	2,774 94.5%	2,669 96.0%	2,910 94.6%	2,861 94.9%	2,804 96.5%			
Drug/Narcotic Percent Cleared	1,439 93.1%	1,552 94.9%	1,800 93.4%	1,940 93.5%	1,825 96.1%			
Drug Equipment Percent Cleared	1,335 96.0%	1,117 97.6%	1,110 96.5%	921 97.7%	979 97.4%			

Table 81: Percentage Difference in Kent County Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in Kent County Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019							
	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19	
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-3.8%	9.0%	-1.7%	-2.0%	1.1%	0.0%	
Drug/Narcotic	7.9%	16.0%	7.8%	-5.9%	26.8%	8.5%	
Drug Equipment	-16.3%	-0.6%	-17.0%	6.3%	-26.7%	-12.6%	

Table 82: Crime Rates for Kent County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019

Crime Rates for Kent County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019										
Kent County Population	173,529	173,529 175,110 180,610 180,396								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019					
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	16.0	15.2	16.1	15.9	15.8					
Drug/Narcotic	8.3	8.9	10.0	10.8	10.3					
Drug Equipment	7.7	6.4	6.1	5.1	5.5					

Figure 25: Kent County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

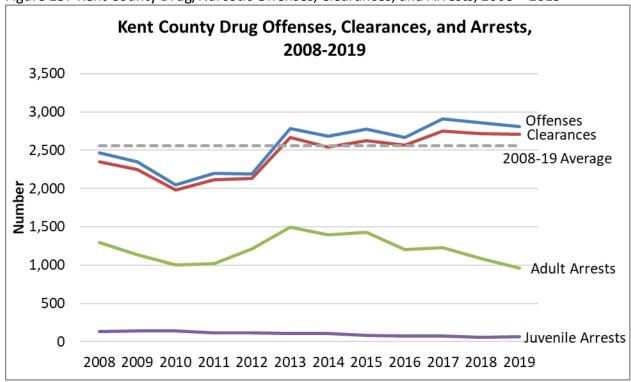


Table 83: Kent County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2018	2019				
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	1,427	1,202	1,227	1,082	963			
Drug/Narcotic	1,138	948	983	908	717			
Percent Male	77.5%	77.6%	77.4%	78.5%	79.4%			
Percent White	49.0%	46.8%	42.5%	40.0%	39.5%			
Percent Black	50.8%	52.7%	57.0%	59.5%	60.4%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	1.6%	2.1%	2.8%	2.8%			
Drug Equipment	289	254	244	174	246			
Percent Male	72.7%	66.5%	68.0%	62.6%	64.2%			
Percent White	77.5%	71.3%	72.5%	71.8%	79.7%			
Percent Black	22.5%	28.3%	27.0%	28.2%	19.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.0%	2.8%	2.0%	3.4%	3.7%			

Table 84: Kent County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	87	78	76	60	62			
Drug/Narcotic	79	75	72	57	59			
Percent Male	81.0%	82.7%	80.6%	73.7%	88.1%			
Percent White	50.6%	49.3%	41.7%	38.6%	40.7%			
Percent Black	49.4%	50.7%	58.3%	57.9%	59.3%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.3%	6.7%	2.8%	5.3%	3.4%			
Drug Equipment	8	3	4	3	3			
Percent Male	87.5%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%	100.0%			
Percent White	62.5%	100.0%	50.0%	66.7%	33.3%			
Percent Black	37.5%	0.0%	50.0%	0.0%	66.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	12.5%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%			

Sussex County Drug and Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests

Overall, Drug/Narcotic Offenses in the county were 25.6% higher in 2019 when compared with 2015, and a 19.9% increase since 2018. From 2015 to 2019, Drug Possession Offenses increased by 59.8% while Drug Equipment Offenses decreased 8.4%. Drug/Narcotic Possession charges have increased in all Counties, but Sussex County has seen the most significant increase.

For all Drug/Narcotic crimes, nearly all offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. All Drug/Narcotic Offenses in 2018 were cleared at rates comparable to those for the previous four years. It should be noted that while Drug Possession Offenses in Sussex County have increased dramatically, the clearance rate for these offenses still remains close to 100%.

Tables 85 – 89 and Figure 26 provide detailed information about Sussex County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 26.

It should be noted that there is a noticeable decrease in arrests from 2015 to 2018. The primary cause for this arrest decline can be attributed to the civil marijuana possession statute changes that were implemented in December 2015. A smaller, yet still significant, portion is due to the surge in statewide overdoses over the last few years. Coinciding with the sharp increase in Drug Offenses, the number of Adult arrests also increased sharply in 2019.

Table 85: Sussex County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Drug Offenses and Clearances, 2015 – 2019									
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019								
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses Percent Cleared	3,410	3,275	3,620	3,570	4,282				
	96.4%	95.3%	96.4%	98.1%	98.2%				
Drug/Narcotic	1,698	1,864	2,208	2,238	2,714				
Percent Cleared	94.9%	93.1%	94.8%	97.6%	97.4%				
Drug Equipment	1,712	1,411	1,412	1,332	1,568				
Percent Cleared	97.8%	98.2%	98.9%	98.9%	99.4%				

Table 86: Percentage Difference in Sussex County Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019

Percentage Difference in Sussex County Drug Offenses Received, 2015 – 2019									
	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	Average 15-18 vs 19			
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	-4.0%	10.5%	-1.4%	19.9%	25.6%	23.4%			
Drug/Narcotic	9.8%	18.5%	1.4%	21.3%	59.8%	35.6%			
Drug Equipment	-17.6%	0.1%	-5.7%	17.7%	-8.4%	6.9%			

Table 87: Crime Rates for Sussex County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People

Crime Rates for Sussex County Drug Offenses Received per 1,000 People, 2015 – 2019										
Sussex County Population	215,622 218,820 223,010 229,087 231,6									
	2015	2015 2016 2017 2018								
All Drug/Narcotic Offenses	15.8	18.5								
Drug/Narcotic	7.9	8.5	9.9	9.8	11.7					
Drug Equipment	7.9	6.4	6.3	5.8	6.8					

Figure 26: Sussex County Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

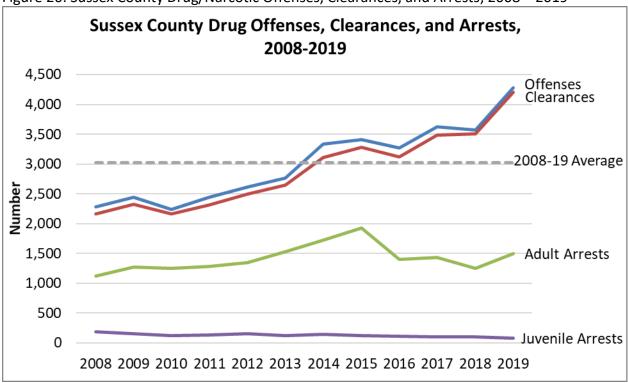


Table 88: Sussex County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Drug Offenses: Adult Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 201							
All Adult Drug Offense Arrests	1,932	1,397	1,437	1,253	1,501			
Drug/Narcotic	1,410	954	985	822	1,000			
Percent Male	75.0%	75.9%	75.7%	75.5%	75.8%			
Percent White	64.0%	61.6%	62.3%	58.2%	58.8%			
Percent Black	35.8%	38.2%	37.3%	41.5%	41.1%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	3.0%	1.9%	4.4%	3.7%			
Drug Equipment	522	443	452	431	501			
Percent Male	69.0%	59.8%	60.4%	60.1%	62.7%			
Percent White	84.3%	79.2%	79.9%	81.9%	72.3%			
Percent Black	15.5%	20.8%	19.7%	17.9%	27.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.6%	3.6%	2.2%	3.9%	3.0%			

Table 89: Sussex County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Drug Offenses: Juvenile Arrest Details and Demographics, 2015 – 2019								
	2015	2018	2019					
All Juvenile Drug Offense Arrests	118	106	97	98	82			
Drug/Narcotic	98	93	87	93	77			
Percent Male	77.6%	76.3%	83.9%	81.7%	84.4%			
Percent White	72.4%	68.8%	59.8%	52.7%	54.5%			
Percent Black	27.6%	30.1%	40.2%	45.2%	44.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.2%	5.4%	9.2%	5.4%	1.3%			
Drug Equipment	20	13	10	5	5			
Percent Male	75.0%	76.9%	70.0%	60.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	85.0%	38.5%	50.0%	100.0%	60.0%			
Percent Black	15.0%	53.8%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	15.0%	7.7%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%			

Delaware Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses were almost 11% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The offense totals for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapon Law Violations—all decreased. The number of Fraud Offenses was 3.6% lower compared to 2015. Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Offenses decreased substantially since 2015 (21.9%), while Weapon Law Violations were 14.1% lower. Some areas of note:

- Property Destruction has been decreasing since 2016 and is at a report period low.
- Cruelty to Animal Offenses have steadily increased since being included in Group A
 offenses in 2015. This could be partially due to better reporting due to the State
 creating the Office of Animal Welfare.

Overall, just under 40% of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Many of the crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates near or above 50%. However, the crime with one of the lowest clearance rates—Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism—accounted for almost 50% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. Almost all crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 90 – 98 and Figure 27 provide detailed information about Statewide Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 27.

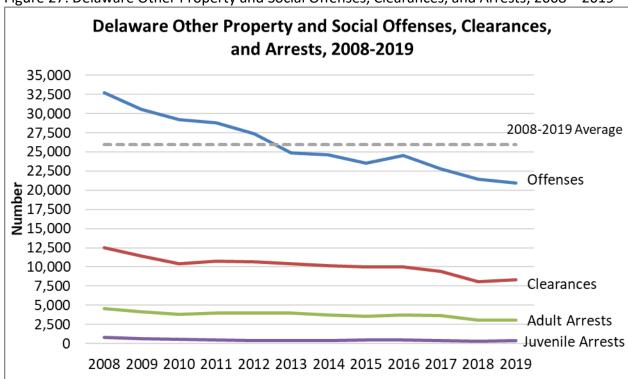


Figure 27: Delaware Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 90: Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Statewide Serious Offenses and Cle					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Other Property and Social Offenses	23,534	24,514	22,776	21,440	20,975
Percent Cleared	42.5%	40.8%	41.4%	37.7%	39.9%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	736	696	691	547	577
Percent Cleared	55.4%	52.0%	52.4%	46.1%	48.2%
Fraud	6,862	7,210	6,711	6,613	6,614
Percent Cleared	45.2%	43.0%	45.0%	34.3%	34.4%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	2,958	2,989	2,781	2,400	2,194
Percent Cleared	53.8%	49.3%	50.7%	42.5%	43.1%
Credit Card/ATM	1,274	1,391	1,105	1,072	1,077
Percent Cleared	27.9%	27.0%	28.4%	21.2%	26.9%
Impersonation	2,607	1,338	1,247	1,094	1,054
Percent Cleared	44.2%	81.4%	90.0%	84.6%	85.0%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wire Fraud	5	4	168	254	425
Percent Cleared	20.0%	0.0%	6.0%	1.6%	6.1%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hacking/Computer Invasion	18	1,488	1,410	1,793	1,864
Percent Cleared	11.1%	11.1%	11.8%	5.0%	6.1%
Embezzlement	344	298	298	255	246
Percent Cleared	75.3%	74.5%	78.2%	69.8%	76.8%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	1,018	1,007	897	669	751
Percent Cleared	85.6%	87.1%	85.4%	80.9%	87.6%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	11,902	12,137	10,853	10,056	9,294
Percent Cleared	28.9%	28.1%	28.6%	29.9%	32.7%

Table 90: Statewide... Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Statewide Serious Offenses and Clearance	es – Other	Property a	nd Social O	ffenses (Co	ntinued)
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	54	53	44	35	35
Percent Cleared	50.0%	66.0%	61.4%	60.0%	54.3%
Incest	1	2	2	0	0
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A
Statutory Rape	53	51	42	35	35
Percent Cleared	50.9%	68.6%	59.5%	60.0%	54.3%
Pornography/ Obscene Material	156	114	107	85	106
Percent Cleared	68.6%	64.9%	64.5%	56.5%	63.2%
Gambling Offenses	8	6	35	35	36
Percent Cleared	12.5%	66.7%	97.1%	52.9%	88.9%
Prostitution	122	126	117	139	114
Percent Cleared	97.5%	93.7%	94.0%	92.8%	93.0%
Prostitution	80	95	72	85	77
Percent Cleared	96.3%	92.6%	90.3%	56.5%	90.9%
Promoting Prostitution	7	9	13	11	6
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	83.3%
Purchasing Prostitution	35	22	32	43	31
Percent Cleared	100.0%	95.5%	100.0%	97.7%	100.0%
Bribery	1	1	3	4	5
Percent Cleared	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	75.0%	80.0%
Weapons Law Violations	2,261	2,348	2,129	1,908	1,943
Percent Cleared	74.1%	71.9%	74.3%	76.5%	78.4%
Cruelty To Animals	70	518	891	1,094	1,254
Percent Cleared	1.4%	19.9%	12.6%	13.3%	14.1%

Table 91: Delaware Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Delaware Percentage Difference	e in Other					
	45 46	46 47	47.40	10 10	45 40	Average
All Other Breast and Godfel	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	15-18 vs 19
All Other Property and Social Offenses	4.2%	-7.1%	-5.9%	-2.2%	-10.9%	-9.1%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-5.4%	-0.7%	-20.8%	5.5%	-21.6%	-13.6%
Fraud	5.1%	-6.9%	-1.5%	0.0%	-3.6%	-3.4%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	1.1%	-7.0%	-13.7%	-8.6%	-25.8%	-21.1%
Credit Card/ATM	9.2%	-20.6%	-3.0%	0.5%	-15.5%	-11.0%
Impersonation	-48.7%	-6.8%	-12.3%	-3.7%	-59.6%	-32.9%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	-20.0%	4100.0%	51.2%	67.3%	8400.0%	294.4%
Identity Theft	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	8166.6%	-5.2%	27.2%	4.0%	10255.6%	58.3%
Embezzlement	-13.4%	0.0%	-14.4%	-3.5%	-28.5%	-17.7%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-1.1%	-10.9%	-25.4%	12.3%	-26.2%	-16.3%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	2.0%	-10.6%	-7.3%	-7.6%	-21.9%	-17.3%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	-1.9%	-17.0%	-20.5%	0.0%	-35.2%	-24.7%
Incest	100.0%	0.00%	-100.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
Statutory Rape	-3.8%	-17.7%	-16.7%	0.0%	-34.0%	-22.7%
Pornography/Obscene Material	-26.9%	-6.1%	-20.6%	24.7%	-32.1%	-8.2%
Gambling Offenses	-25.0%	483.3%	0.0%	2.9%	350.0%	71.4%
Prostitution	3.3%	-7.1%	18.8%	-18.0%	-6.6%	-9.5%
Prostitution	18.8%	-24.2%	18.1%	-9.4%	-3.8%	-7.2%
Promoting Prostitution	28.6%	44.4%	-15.4%	-45.5%	-14.3%	-40.0%
Purchasing Prostitution	-37.1%	45.5%	34.4%	-27.9%	-11.4%	-6.1%
Bribery	0.0%	200.0%	33.3%	25.0%	400.0%	122.2%
Weapons Law Violations	3.9%	-9.3%	-10.4%	1.8%	-14.1%	-10.1%
Cruelty To Animals	640.0%	72.0%	22.8%	14.6%	1691.4%	94.9%

Table 92: Statewide Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People, 2015-19

Statewide Other Property and Social C	Offenses: Cr	ime Rates	per 1,000 P	eople, 2015	5 – 2019
Delaware Population	945,937	954,077	967,813	974,051	972,332
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Fraud	7.3	7.6	6.9	6.8	6.8
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.5	2.3
Credit Card/ATM	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.1
Impersonation	2.8	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.1
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
Identity Theft	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	<0.1	<0.1	1.5	1.8	1.9
Embezzlement	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.8
Property Destruction/Vandalism	12.6	12.7	11.2	10.3	9.6
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Incest	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	0.0
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Purchasing Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Bribery	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Weapons Law Violations	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.0
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Cruelty To Animals	0.1	0.5	0.9	1.1	1.3

Delaware Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Table 93: Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019 Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	311	282	283	201	219	
Fraud	1,629	1,676	1,750	1,285	1,237	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	808	800	754	526	482	
Credit Card/ATM	79	78	78	52	62	
Impersonation	742	776	896	689	673	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Wire Fraud	0	0	2	0	9	
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0	
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	22	20	18	11	
					0	
Embezzlement	216	191	217	161	157	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	328	348	327	264	293	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	665	685	600	662	717	
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	18	25	16	16	15	
Incest	0	0	2	1	0	
Statutory Rape	18	25	14	15	15	
Pornography/ Obscene Material	44	39	40	22	30	
Gambling Offenses	0	1	18	8	17	
Prostitution	100	89	81	120	82	
Prostitution	61	60	45	64	53	
Promoting Prostitution	4	9	9	9	3	
Purchasing Prostitution	35	20	27	47	26	
Bribery	1	0	1	2	3	
Weapons Law Violations	255	295	255	244	267	
Cruelty To Animals	6	66	52	49	53	

Table 94: Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses,						
2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	311	282	283	201	219	
Percent Male	57.9%	58.2%	59.0%	62.2%	69.4%	
Percent White	51.8%	53.5%	45.9%	48.3%	47.5%	
Percent Black	45.7%	45.7%	53.4%	50.7%	51.1%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.4%	6.0%	6.7%	9.5%	7.8%	
Fraud	1,629	1,676	1,750	1,285	1,237	
Percent Male	63.7%	63.9%	65.0%	65.2%	64.7%	
Percent White	57.9%	54.2%	54.7%	50.4%	51.7%	
Percent Black	41.3%	44.9%	44.6%	48.9%	47.0%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.6%	6.0%	6.1%	8.7%	6.2%	
Embezzlement	216	191	217	161	157	
Percent Male	51.9%	48.7%	49.8%	47.8%	40.1%	
Percent White	57.9%	53.9%	56.2%	52.2%	51.0%	
Percent Black	41.7%	44.5%	42.9%	46.0%	48.4%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.9%	5.2%	3.7%	5.0%	5.7%	
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	328	348	327	264	293	
Percent Male	85.4%	84.8%	82.0%	85.6%	82.9%	
Percent White	46.0%	37.4%	37.0%	42.4%	30.0%	
Percent Black	53.0%	62.4%	63.0%	56.8%	70.0%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.2%	4.6%	6.1%	7.2%	7.5%	
Property Destruction	665	685	600	662	717	
Percent Male	73.1%	65.4%	74.0%	71.1%	67.1%	
Percent White	52.3%	47.4%	48.0%	47.0%	41.1%	
Percent Black	47.2%	51.5%	51.7%	52.4%	58.3%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.4%	5.5%	3.2%	4.7%	6.4%	
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	18	25	16	16	15	
Percent Male	100.0%	92.0%	81.3%	93.8%	100.0%	
Percent White	50.0%	44.0%	62.5%	50.0%	60.0%	
Percent Black	44.4%	56.0%	37.5%	50.0%	33.3%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	22.2%	16.0%	12.5%	6.3%	26.7%	

Table 95: Statewide Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Pornography	44	39	40	22	30	
Percent Male	97.7%	97.4%	97.5%	95.5%	96.7%	
Percent White	88.6%	79.5%	77.5%	86.4%	70.0%	
Percent Black	11.4%	17.9%	20.0%	13.6%	30.0%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.3%	7.7%	2.5%	13.6%	3.3%	
Gambling Offenses	0	1	18	8	17	
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	70.6%	
Percent White	N/A	100.0%	22.2%	62.5%	11.8%	
Percent Black	N/A	0.0%	72.2%	25.0%	88.2%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	11.1%	50.0%	11.8%	
Prostitution	100	89	81	120	82	
Percent Male	39.0%	28.1%	51.9%	55.8%	46.3%	
Percent White	68.0%	60.7%	70.4%	69.2%	52.4%	
Percent Black	22.0%	28.1%	25.9%	27.5%	40.2%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	14.0%	12.4%	22.2%	18.3%	9.8%	
Bribery	1	0	1	2	3	
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	66.7%	
Percent White	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	
Percent Black	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Weapons Offenses	255	295	255	244	267	
Percent Male	92.5%	92.9%	93.3%	95.5%	93.3%	
Percent White	40.0%	39.0%	36.5%	37.3%	37.1%	
Percent Black	59.2%	60.7%	63.1%	61.9%	62.5%	
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.5%	4.4%	2.7%	4.1%	6.4%	

Table 96: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	6	3	0	4	1
Fraud	55	71	59	49	60
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	18	13	18	13	18
Credit Card/ATM	6	7	3	3	7
Impersonation	31	50	37	33	35
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	1	1	0	0
Embezzlement	3	2	4	2	6
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	82	119	76	62	81
Property Destruction/Vandalism	219	208	155	114	140
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	1	3	1	1	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	1	3	1	1	0
Pornography/ Obscene Material	1	1	1	0	0
Gambling Offenses	0	0	1	1	3
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Washing Law Violations	00	101	0.4	92	C 0
Weapons Law Violations	88	101	81	83	60
Cruelty To Animals	0	3	1	0	1

Table 97: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	6	3	0	4	1
Percent Male	83.3%	66.7%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%
Percent White	50.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	100.0%
Percent Black	50.0%	66.7%	N/A	100.0%	0.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	33.3%	N/A	0.0%	0.05
Fraud	55	71	59	49	60
Percent Male	65.5%	70.4%	71.2%	67.3%	65.0%
Percent White	36.4%	31.0%	28.8%	24.5%	28.3%
Percent Black	63.6%	67.6%	71.2%	75.5%	70.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.9%	11.3%	10.2%	4.1%	0.0%
Embezzlement	3	2	4	2	6
Percent Male	33.3%	50.0%	25.0%	0.0%	33.3%
Percent White	33.3%	50.0%	25.0%	0.0%	33.3%
Percent Black	66.7%	50.0%	75.0%	100.0%	66.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.05
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	82	119	76	62	81
Percent Male	90.2%	84.0%	86.8%	88.7%	87.7%
Percent White	15.9%	12.6%	25.0%	12.9%	1.2%
Percent Black	84.1%	86.6%	73.7%	85.5%	98.8%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.9%	8.4%	9.2%	1.6%	2.5%
Property Destruction	219	208	155	114	140
Percent Male	80.8%	81.3%	86.5%	82.5%	76.4%
Percent White	40.2%	37.0%	39.4%	35.1%	32.9%
Percent Black	58.9%	63.0%	58.7%	63.2%	65.7%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	8.2%	5.8%	4.5%	10.5%	6.4%
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	1	3	1	1	0
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A
Percent White	0.0%	66.7%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A
Percent Black	100.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A

Table 98: Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Statewide Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pornography	1	1	1	0	0
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A
Percent White	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A
Percent Black	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A
Gambling Offenses	0	0	1	1	3
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	33.3%
Percent White	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	33.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	.0%	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Weapons Offenses	88	101	81	83	60
Percent Male	83.0%	88.1%	88.9%	81.9%	93.3%
Percent White	19.3%	36.6%	39.5%	28.9%	21.7%
Percent Black	80.7%	63.4%	60.5%	68.7%	78.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.4%	5.9%	16.0%	6.0%	3.3%

New Castle County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses in the county were over 8% lower in 2019 compared to 2015. The patterns of differences for the three most commonly occurring crimes in this category—Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapon Law Violations—varied somewhat. Vandalism was down 20%, Fraud was up 3% and Weapons Violations were down almost 15%. Some other categories of note:

- Weapons Law Violations increased 5% from 2018 to 2019 which could be related to an increase of Aggravated Assault with a Firearm offenses over the period.
- Hacking/Computer Invasion Offenses have increased greatly since "Group A" tracking started in 2015.

Overall, just over 36% of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. The crime with one of the lowest clearance rates, Property Destruction, accounts for 50% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. Most other crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%.

Almost all crimes in this category were cleared at rates comparable to the previous four years.

Tables 99 – 107 and Figure 28 provide detailed information about New Castle County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 28.

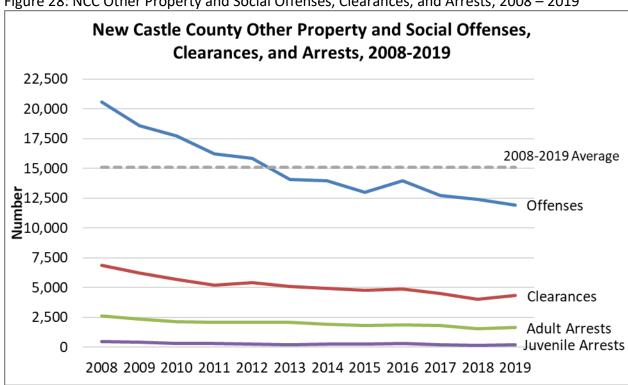


Figure 28: NCC Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 2019

Table 99: New Castle... Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
All Other Property and Social Offenses	13,009	13,966	12,716	12,423	11,923	
Percent Cleared	36.7%	35.1%	35.5%	32.4%	36.2%	
Counterfeiting/Forgery	348	347	370	279	281	
Percent Cleared	50.0%	45.0%	47.8%	40.1%	44.5%	
Fraud	3,312	3,699	3,220	3,488	3,412	
Percent Cleared	37.0%	36.6%	38.0%	27.7%	28.8%	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	1,158	1,303	1,207	1,128	1,029	
Percent Cleared	46.7%	46.1%	44.1%	33.4%	32.9%	
Credit Card/ATM	720	815	585	628	619	
Percent Cleared	19.4%	21.0%	19.8%	15.3%	20.2%	
Impersonation	1,425	648	591	537	560	
Percent Cleared	38.1%	79.2%	85.8%	84.4%	82.1%	
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Wire Fraud	3	3	40	69	98	
Percent Cleared	0.0%	0.0%	7.5%	0.0%	6.1%	
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0	
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Hacking/Computer Invasion	6	930	797	1,126	1,106	
Percent Cleared	16.7%	7.4%	8.3%	3.6%	4.6%	
Embezzlement	196	170	167	149	142	
Percent Cleared	75.5%	72.4%	80.2%	69.1%	75.4%	
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	492	548	509	409	479	
Percent Cleared	85.8%	88.9%	82.5%	78.2%	86.4%	
Property Destruction/Vandalism	6,955	7,328	6,543	6,228	5,565	
Percent Cleared	23.5%	22.0%	22.6%	23.8%	28.0%	

Table 99: NCC Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

New Castle County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (Continued)								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	22	28	10	17	8			
Percent Cleared	45.5%	60.7%	70.0%	58.8%	37.5%			
Incest	0	1	1	0	0			
Percent Cleared	N/A	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Statutory Rape	22	27	9	17	8			
Percent Cleared	45.5%	63.0%	66.7%	58.8%	37.5%			
Pornography/ Obscene Material	68	48	45	35	41			
Percent Cleared	61.8%	58.3%	68.9%	48.6%	68.3%			
Gambling Offenses	1	4	6	7	13			
Percent Cleared	0.0%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%	76.9%			
Prostitution	98	93	83	111	89			
Percent Cleared	99.0%	94.6%	91.6%	91.9%	95.5%			
Prostitution	67	76	58	72	66			
Percent Cleared	98.5%	94.7%	87.9%	87.5%	93.9%			
Promoting Prostitution	5	6	11	9	3			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Purchasing Prostitution	26	11	14	30	20			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	90.9%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Bribery	0	0	2	1	4			
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%			
Weapons Law Violations	1,478	1,496	1,361	1,200	1,263			
Percent Cleared	69.4%	65.9%	67.8%	71.1%	73.5%			
Cruelty To Animals	39	205	400	499	626			
Percent Cleared	0.0%	24.4%	9.5%	10.8%	12.8%			

Table 100: NCC Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received, 2015-19

New Castle County Percenta	ge Differenc	e in Other	Property a	and Socia	Offenses R	eceived
	15 – 16	16 - 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 – 19	Avg 15-18 vs 19
All Other Property and Social	7.4%	-9.0%	-2.3%	-4.0%	-8.3%	-8.5%
Offenses	7.176	3.670	2.670		0.070	0.070
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-0.3%	6.6%	-24.6%	0.7%	-19.3%	-16.4%
Fraud	11.7%	-13.0%	8.3%	-2.2%	3.0%	-0.5%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	12.5%	-7.4%	-6.6%	-8.8%	-11.1%	-14.2%
Credit Card/ATM	13.2%	-28.2%	7.4%	-1.4%	-14.0%	-9.9%
Impersonation	-54.5%	-8.8%	-9.1%	4.3%	-60.7%	-30.0%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	0.0%	1,233.3%	72.5%	42.0%	3,166.7%	240.9%
Identity Theft	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	15,400.0%	-14.3%	41.3%	-1.8%	18,333.3%	54.7%
Embezzlement	-13.3%	-1.8%	-10.8%	-4.7%	-27.6%	-16.7%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	11.4%	-7.1%	-19.7%	17.1%	-2.6%	-2.1%
Property Dest./Vandalism	5.4%	-10.7%	-4.8%	-10.6%	-20.0%	-17.7%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	27.3%	-64.3%	70.0%	-52.9%	-63.6%	-58.4%
Incest	100.0%	0.00%	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%
Statutory Rape	22.7%	-66.7%	88.9%	-52.9%	-63.6%	-57.3%
Pornography/ Obscene Material	-29.4%	-6.3%	-22.2%	17.1%	-39.7%	-16.3%
Gambling Offenses	300.0%	50.0%	16.7%	85.7%	1,200.0%	188.9%
Prostitution	-5.1%	-10.8%	33.7%	-19.8%	-9.2%	-7.5%
Prostitution	13.4%	-23.7%	24.1%	-8.3%	-1.5%	-3.3%
Promoting Prostitution	20.0%	83.3%	-18.2%	-66.7%	-40.0%	-61.3%
Purchasing Prostitution	-57.7%	27.3%	114.3%	-33.3%	-23.1%	-1.2%
Bribery	0.0%	200.0%	-50.0%	300.0%	400.0%	433.3%
Weapons Law Violations	1.2%	-9.0%	-11.8%	5.3%	-14.5%	-8.7%
Cruelty To Animals	425.6%	95.1%	24.8%	25.5%	1,505.1%	119.1%

Table 101: NCC Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People, 2015 – 19

New Castle County Other Property				•	
New Castle County Population	556,786	560,147	564,193	564,568	562,694
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5
Fraud	5.9	6.6	5.7	6.2	6.0
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.8
Credit Card/ATM	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.1	1.1
Impersonation	2.6	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Identity Theft	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	<0.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.0
Embezzlement	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
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Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.8
	12.5	12.1	11.6	11.0	0.0
Property Destruction/Vandalism	12.5	13.1	11.6	11.0	9.9
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Incest	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	0.0
Statutory Rape	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Statutory Hape					
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	
Prostitution	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Prostitution Prostitution	0.1	0.1	0.1 <0.1	0.1	0.1
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1		0.0	<0.1
Purchasing Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1
Bribery	0.0	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Weapons Law Violations	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.2
Cruelty To Animals	0.1	0.4	0.7	0.9	1.1

New Castle County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Table 102: New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Adult Arrests – O	Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019						
•	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	146	130	149	100	100		
Fraud	709	767	760	571	566		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	315	369	339	221	191		
Credit Card/ATM	40	37	33	23	39		
Impersonation	354	351	376	320	327		
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Wire Fraud	0	0	1	0	3		
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0		
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	10	11	7	6		
Embezzlement	128	113	128	95	97		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	222	234	219	179	199		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	329	324	282	326	388		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	3	10	2	4	3		
Incest	0	0	1	0	0		
Statutory Rape	3	10	1	4	3		
Pornography/Obscene Material	16	18	23	10	18		
Gambling Offenses	0	0	7	0	4		
Prostitution	79	62	57	95	69		
Prostitution	52	51	39	54	49		
Promoting Prostitution	3	3	6	7	2		
Purchasing Prostitution	24	8	12	34	18		
Bribery	0	0	0	1	3		
Weapons Law Violations	168	188	158	133	166		
Cruelty To Animals	1	30	20	13	19		

Table 103: NCC Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 15-19

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses:							
Other Property Offenses, 20	15 – 2019, b	y Gender,	Race, and I	Ethnicity			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	146	130	149	100	100		
Percent Male	61.0%	62.3%	58.4%	70.0%	64.0%		
Percent White	40.4%	43.1%	32.9%	34.0%	42.0%		
Percent Black	57.5%	56.2%	66.4%	64.0%	56.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.5%	6.9%	8.7%	12.0%	12.0%		
Fraud	709	767	760	571	566		
Percent Male	65.7%	63.6%	65.8%	68.0%	65.2%		
Percent White	52.9%	50.7%	52.0%	44.0%	46.8%		
Percent Black	46.1%	48.1%	46.7%	55.5%	51.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.1%	7.6%	8.0%	8.4%	6.5%		
Embezzlement	128	113	128	95	97		
Percent Male	50.8%	53.1%	55.5%	49.5%	44.3%		
Percent White	47.7%	44.2%	45.3%	43.2%	41.2%		
Percent Black	52.3%	53.1%	53.9%	54.7%	58.8%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.1%	5.3%	6.3%	7.4%	5.2%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	222	234	219	179	199		
Percent Male	82.9%	86.3%	79.5%	84.4%	80.9%		
Percent White	45.9%	38.9%	37.0%	41.9%	30.7%		
Percent Black	53.2%	60.7%	63.0%	57.5%	69.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.0%	6.8%	7.3%	6.1%	5.0%		
Property Destruction	329	324	282	326	388		
Percent Male	70.8%	60.5%	71.6%	69.3%	62.1%		
Percent White	48.9%	44.8%	47.9%	39.0%	38.1%		
Percent Black	50.5%	53.7%	52.1%	59.8%	61.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.1%	7.4%	3.2%	5.5%	7.0%		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	3	18	2	4	3		
Percent Male	100.0%	94.4%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	33.3%	88.9%	100.0%	25.0%	33.3%		
Percent Black	66.7%	11.1%	0.0%	75.0%	33.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%		

Table 104: NCC Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 2015 – 2019

New Castle County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Pornography	16	18	23	10	18		
Percent Male	93.8%	94.4%	95.7%	100.0%	94.4%		
Percent White	81.3%	88.9%	78.3%	90.0%	66.7%		
Percent Black	18.8%	11.1%	17.4%	10.0%	33.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	16.7%	4.3%	20.0%	5.6%		
Gambling Offenses	0	0	7	0	4		
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	100.0%		
Percent White	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%		
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	85.7%	N/A	100.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%		
Prostitution	79	62	57	95	69		
Percent Male	35.4%	16.1%	43.9%	49.5%	43.5%		
Percent White	69.6%	61.3%	70.2%	66.3%	52.2%		
Percent Black	25.3%	27.4%	26.3%	30.5%	39.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.8%	4.8%	17.5%	10.5%	8.7%		
Bribery	0	0	0	1	3		
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	66.7%		
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%		
Weapons Offenses	168	188	158	133	166		
Percent Male	93.5%	91.5%	92.4%	93.2%	91.6%		
Percent White	33.9%	31.9%	22.8%	24.1%	28.9%		
Percent Black	64.9%	67.6%	77.2%	75.2%	70.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.2%	4.3%	2.5%	3.8%	9.6%		

Table 105: New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 19

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	0	0	2	0		
Fraud	29	42	31	24	37		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	7	8	6	4	7		
Credit Card/ATM	5	3	2	3	5		
Impersonation	17	30	22	17	25		
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0		
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	1	1	0	0		
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Embezzlement	2	2	2	1	2		
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	71	99	59	42	64		
Stolen Property (sen, receive, possess)	/1	33	39	42	04		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	112	106	70	60	74		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	1	1	0	1	0		
	0	0	0	0	0		
Incest Statutory Page	1	1	0	1	0		
Statutory Rape	1	т	U		0		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	0	0	0	0		
Gambling Offenses	0	0	1	1	1		
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0		
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0		
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0		
Weenens Low Violetiers	(3)	F2	47	45	27		
Weapons Law Violations	63	52	47	45	37		
Cruelty To Animals	0	3	1	0	0		

Table 106: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses:							
Other Property Offenses, 20	15 – 2019, k	y Gender,	Race, and I	Ethnicity			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	0	0	2	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent White	33.3%	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A		
Percent Black	66.7%	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A		
Fraud	29	42	31	24	37		
Percent Male	79.3%	71.4%	64.5%	79.2%	70.3%		
Percent White	31.0%	21.4%	22.6%	16.7%	18.9%		
Percent Black	69.0%	76.2%	77.4%	83.3%	81.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	10.3%	11.9%	9.7%	4.2%	2.7%		
Embezzlement	2	2	2	1	2		
Percent Male	50.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	50.0%		
Percent White	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%		
Percent Black	50.0%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	71	99	59	42	64		
Percent Male	90.1%	83.8%	86.4%	85.7%	87.5%		
Percent White	11.3%	12.1%	22.0%	14.3%	1.6%		
Percent Black	88.7%	86.9%	78.0%	83.3%	98.4%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.8%	9.1%	10.2%	2.4%	1.6%		
Property Destruction	112	106	70	60	74		
Percent Male	78.6%	77.4%	85.7%	81.7%	74.3%		
Percent White	41.1%	23.6%	24.3%	26.7%	31.1%		
Percent Black	58.9%	76.4%	72.9%	73.3%	68.9%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	9.8%	6.6%	5.7%	11.7%	10.8%		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	1	1	0	1	0		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent White	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent Black	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A		

Table 107: NCC Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 2015 – 19

New Castle County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Pornography	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	1	1	1			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%			
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	63	52	81	45	37			
Percent Male	81.0%	82.7%	88.9%	82.2%	91.9%			
Percent White	17.5%	21.2%	39.5%	26.7%	10.8%			
Percent Black	82.5%	78.8%	60.5%	68.9%	89.2%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.8%	5.8%	16.0%	8.9%	0.0%			

Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, Other Property and Social Offenses in the county were almost 14% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The three most commonly occurring crimes in this category—Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapon Law Violations— all decreased from 2015 to 2019. Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism and Fraud Offenses decreased 22.2% and 13.7% respectively. Weapon Law Violations decreased by 13.4%. Some notable points:

- Weapons Law Violations have been decreasing since 2016 and are at a report period low.
- Property Destruction/Vandalism Offenses are almost equal with report period lows.

Overall, almost 47% of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Many crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with one of the lowest clearance rates, Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, accounts for almost 44% of the offenses in this category, suppressing the overall clearance rate. Almost all crimes in this category of offenses were cleared at rates comparable to or better than those for the previous four years.

Tables 108 – 116 and Figure 29 provide detailed information about Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 29.

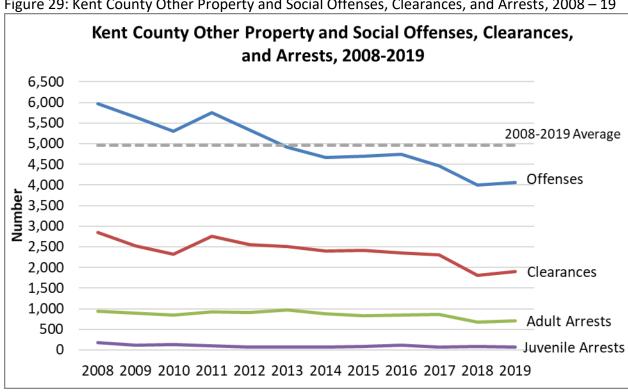


Figure 29: Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 19

Table 108: Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearar	ices – Othe	r Property	and Social	Offenses,	2015 – 19
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Other Property and Social Offenses	4,697	4,736	4,467	4,001	4,058
Percent Cleared	51.5%	49.6%	51.7%	45.1%	46.9%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	199	128	162	128	117
Percent Cleared	59.3%	60.9%	55.6%	49.2%	53.8%
Fraud	1,463	1,544	1,440	1,242	1,263
Percent Cleared	57.8%	51.4%	55.2%	42.3%	44.9%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	793	702	704	541	483
Percent Cleared	63.3%	54.6%	59.8%	51.9%	56.7%
Credit Card/ATM	233	288	233	177	201
Percent Cleared	45.1%	36.8%	37.8%	26.0%	38.8%
Impersonation	432	304	273	216	215
Percent Cleared	55.1%	84.9%	93.4%	83.8%	86.5%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wire Fraud	2	1	31	57	87
Percent Cleared	50.0%	0.0%	16.1%	1.8%	10.3%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hacking/Computer Invasion	3	249	199	251	277
Percent Cleared	0.0%	18.9%	13.1%	6.4%	7.2%
Embezzlement	66	61	58	44	51
Percent Cleared	86.4%	77.0%	70.7%	70.5%	76.5%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	221	160	165	108	131
Percent Cleared	85.5%	88.1%	94.5%	81.5%	89.3%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	2,253	2,187	1,927	1,750	1,752
Percent Cleared	36.6%	37.9%	38.5%	38.4%	40.4%

Table 108: Kent County... Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Kent County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019 (Continued)								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	17	11	19	10	13			
Percent Cleared	47.1%	81.8%	78.9%	70.0%	69.2%			
Incest	1	0	1	0	0			
Percent Cleared	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Statutory Rape	16	11	18	10	13			
Percent Cleared	50.0%	81.8%	77.8%	70.0%	69.2%			
Pornography/ Obscene Material	43	30	35	27	30			
Percent Cleared	79.1%	63.3%	74.3%	63.0%	63.3%			
Gambling Offenses	1	1	29	18	22			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	96.6%	100.0%	95.5%			
Prostitution	9	9	7	5	9			
Percent Cleared	88.9%	88.9%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%			
Prostitution	6	6	4	3	5			
Percent Cleared	83.3%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%	60.0%			
Promoting Prostitution	1	2	1	1	2			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%			
Purchasing Prostitution	2	1	2	1	2			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Bribery	1	1	0	1	1			
Percent Cleared	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%			
Weapons Law Violations	404	475	405	385	350			
Percent Cleared	81.9%	82.3%	87.4%	83.6%	84.9%			
Cruelty To Animals	20	129	220	283	319			
Percent Cleared	0.0%	26.4%	25.0%	20.1%	17.6%			

Table 109: Kent County Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Kent County Percentage Differ	ence in Oth	er Property	and Socia	l Offense	s Received	, 2015 – 1 <u>9</u>
						Average
All Other Broad and Godd	15 - 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	15-18 vs 19
All Other Property and Social Offenses	0.8%	-5.7%	-10.4%	1.4%	-13.6%	-9.3%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-35.7%	26.6%	-21.0%	-8.6%	-41.2%	-24.1%
Fraud	5.5%	-6.7%	-13.8%	1.7%	-13.7%	-11.2%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	-11.5%	0.3%	-23.2%	-10.7%	-39.1%	-29.5%
Credit Card/ATM	23.6%	-19.1%	-24.0%	13.6%	-13.7%	-13.6%
Impersonation	-29.6%	-10.2%	-20.9%	-0.5%	-50.2%	-29.8%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	-50.0%	3,000.0%	83.9%	52.6%	4,250.0%	282.4%
Identity Theft	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	8,200.0%	-20.1%	26.1%	10.4%	9,133.3%	57.8%
Embezzlement	-7.6%	-4.9%	-24.1%	15.9%	-22.7%	-10.9%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-27.6%	3.1%	-34.6%	21.3%	-40.7%	-19.9%
Property Destr./Vandalism	-2.9%	-11.9%	-9.2%	0.1%	-22.2%	-13.7%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	-35.3%	72.7%	-47.4%	30.0%	-23.5%	-8.8%
Incest	-100.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
Statutory Rape	-31.3%	63.6%	-44.4%	30.0%	-18.8%	-5.5%
Pornography/ Obscene Material	-30.2%	16.7%	-22.9%	11.1%	-30.2%	-11.1%
Gambling Offenses	0.0%	2,800.0%	-37.9%	22.2%	2,100.0%	79.6%
Prostitution	0.0%	-22.2%	-28.6%	80.0%	0.0%	20.0%
Prostitution	0.0%	-33.3%	-25.0%	66.7%	-16.7%	5.3%
Promoting Prostitution	100.0%	-50.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	60.0%
Purchasing Prostitution	-50.0%	100.0%	-50.0%	100.0%	0.0%	33.3%
Bribery	0.0%	-100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%
Weapons Law Violations	17.6%	-14.7%	-4.9%	-9.1%	-13.4%	-16.1%
Cruelty To Animals	545.0%	70.5%	28.6%	12.7%	1,495.0%	95.7%

Table 110: Kent County Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People

Kent County Other Property and	Social Offe	nses: Crime	Rates per	1,000 Peop	ole
Kent County Population	173,529	175,110	180,610	180,396	178,019
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.7
Fraud	8.4	8.8	8.0	6.9	7.1
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	4.6	4.0	3.9	3.0	2.7
Credit Card/ATM	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.0	1.1
Impersonation	2.5	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.2
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wire Fraud	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5
Identity Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	<0.1	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.6
Embezzlement	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	1.3	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.7
Property Destruction/Vandalism	13.0	12.5	10.7	9.7	9.8
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Incest	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	0.0	0.0
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.1
Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Purchasing Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Bribery	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1
Weapons Law Violations	2.3	2.7	2.2	2.1	2.0
Crushty To Animals	0.1	0.7	4.2	1.0	4.0
Cruelty To Animals	0.1	0.7	1.2	1.6	1.8

Kent County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Table 111: Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Adult Arrests – Oth					
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	89	60	73	56	55
Fraud	392	393	424	275	294
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	234	182	191	131	144
Credit Card/ATM	23	29	32	15	11
Impersonation	135	176	199	128	135
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	2
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	6	2	1	2
Embezzlement	42	37	36	28	28
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	57	66	67	50	44
Property Destruction/Vandalism	180	178	154	161	178
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	8	8	5	8	5
Incest	0	0	1	1	0
Statutory Rape	8	8	4	7	5
Pornography/ Obscene Material	12	7	9	7	7
Gambling Offenses	0	1	11	4	13
Prostitution	3	6	5	4	5
Prostitution	3	3	1	2	3
Promoting Prostitution	0	2	3	1	0
Purchasing Prostitution	0	1	1	1	2
Bribery	1	0	1	1	0
Weapons Law Violations	40	58	46	55	54
Cruelty To Animals	4	26	25	24	24

Table 112: Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Adult Arrests	– Other Pr	operty and	Social Offe	enses:	
Other Property Offenses, 20:	15 – 2019, b	y Gender,	Race, and I	Ethnicity	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	89	60	73	56	55
Percent Male	51.7%	51.7%	58.9%	51.8%	76.4%
Percent White	52.8%	50.0%	50.7%	58.9%	41.8%
Percent Black	47.2%	48.3%	47.9%	41.1%	56.4%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.5%	1.7%	1.4%	7.1%	3.6%
Fraud	392	393	424	275	294
Percent Male	58.4%	64.4%	67.0%	66.2%	66.3%
Percent White	55.9%	48.6%	46.7%	46.9%	49.0%
Percent Black	43.6%	51.1%	53.1%	51.3%	50.3%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	3.1%	2.8%	2.6%	8.7%	3.7%
Embezzlement	42	37	36	28	28
Percent Male	59.5%	37.8%	44.4%	46.4%	39.3%
Percent White	66.7%	56.8%	58.3%	64.3%	53.6%
Percent Black	33.3%	43.2%	38.9%	35.7%	42.9%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	7.1%
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	57	66	67	50	44
Percent Male	87.7%	81.8%	88.1%	88.0%	84.1%
Percent White	45.6%	28.8%	31.3%	42.0%	31.8%
Percent Black	54.4%	71.2%	68.7%	56.0%	68.2%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7.0%	0.0%	3.0%	12.0%	6.8%
Property Destruction	180	178	154	161	178
Percent Male	73.3%	64.0%	74.0%	72.7%	71.3%
Percent White	48.3%	33.7%	38.3%	44.1%	39.9%
Percent Black	51.1%	65.7%	61.7%	55.9%	60.1%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	1.1%	2.8%	1.3%	1.9%	5.6%
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	8	8	5	8	5
Percent Male	100.0%	87.5%	60.0%	87.5%	100.0%
Percent White	37.5%	37.5%	60.0%	62.5%	40.0%
Percent Black	50.0%	62.5%	40.0%	37.5%	60.0%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	12.5%	12.5%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%

Table 113: Kent County Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 2015-19

Kent County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity									
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Pornography	12	7	9	7	7				
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	85.7%	100.0%				
Percent White	83.3%	85.7%	77.8%	71.4%	71.4%				
Percent Black	16.7%	14.3%	22.2%	28.6%	28.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Gambling Offenses	0	1	11	4	13				
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%	61.5%				
Percent White	N/A	100.0%	36.4%	25.0%	15.4%				
Percent Black	N/A	0.0%	63.6%	50.0%	84.6%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	18.2%	50.0%	15.4%				
Prostitution	3	6	5	4	5				
Percent Male	0.0%	16.7%	60.0%	50.0%	40.0%				
Percent White	33.3%	33.3%	40.0%	50.0%	20.0%				
Percent Black	0.0%	16.7%	40.0%	25.0%	80.0%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	16.7%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Bribery	1	0	1	1	0				
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A				
Percent White	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A				
Percent Black	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A				
Weapons Offenses	40	58	46	55	54				
Percent Male	90.0%	93.1%	93.5%	98.2%	94.4%				
Percent White	27.5%	34.5%	45.7%	40.0%	35.2%				
Percent Black	72.5%	65.5%	54.3%	60.0%	64.8%				
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.5%	3.4%	4.3%	3.6%	1.9%				

Table 114: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Oth	er Property	y and Socia	l Offenses,	2015 – 20	19
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	2	0	1	0
Fraud	15	14	13	8	15
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	8	3	6	3	7
Credit Card/ATM	1	1	1	0	1
Impersonation	6	10	6	5	7
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	1	2
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	8	15	11	17	16
Property Destruction/Vandalism	48	54	29	31	33
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	1	0	0
Pornography/ Obscene Material	1	0	0	0	0
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Duibou					
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Weenens Law Violetiens	10	22	20	27	11
Weapons Law Violations	18	33	20	27	11
Cruelty To Animals	0	0	0	0	0
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Table 115: Kent Cnty. Juvenile Arrests –Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses:							
Other Property Offenses, 201							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	2	0	1	0		
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent White	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A		
Percent Black	N/A	50.0%	N/A	100.0%	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A		
Fraud	15	14	13	8	15		
Percent Male	33.3%	64.3%	84.6%	12.5%	53.3%		
Percent White	53.3%	21.4%	7.7%	25.0%	33.3%		
Percent Black	46.7%	78.6%	92.3%	75.0%	60.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	20.0%	0.0%	15.4%	0.0%	0.0%		
Embezzlement	0	0	0	1	2		
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	50.0%		
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	8	15	11	17	16		
Percent Male	87.5%	80.0%	90.9%	94.1%	87.5%		
Percent White	37.5%	20.0%	18.2%	11.8%	0.0%		
Percent Black	62.5%	80.0%	81.8%	88.2%	100.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	25.0%	6.7%	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%		
Property Destruction	48	54	29	31	33		
Percent Male	77.1%	81.5%	79.3%	80.6%	78.8%		
Percent White	25.0%	38.9%	34.5%	45.2%	33.3%		
Percent Black	75.0%	61.1%	62.1%	54.8%	66.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.3%	1.9%	0.0%	9.7%	0.0%		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0	0		
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A		
Percent White	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A		
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A		

Table 116: Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 15-19

Kent County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Pornography	1	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	1			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	/A	0.0%			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	18	33	20	27	11			
Percent Male	83.3%	90.9%	90.0%	81.5%	100.0%			
Percent White	22.2%	48.5%	35.0%	25.9%	18.2%			
Percent Black	77.8%	51.5%	65.0%	74.1%	81.8%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	5.0%	3.7%	9.1%			

Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses and Clearances

Overall, the number of Other Property and Social Offenses in the county was over 14% lower in 2019 when compared with 2015. The three most commonly occurring crimes in this category of offenses—Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism, Fraud, and Weapon Law Violations—all decreased. Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Offenses and Weapon Law Violations decreased 26.6% and 12.9%, respectively, since 2015. Fraud Offenses decreased 7.1% since 2015. Of special note:

- Stolen Property Offenses are the lowest of the five-year period after a steady decline.
- Like Stolen Property, Property Destruction Offenses have been on a long decline and are at a five-year low.
- Wire Fraud has increased at a fast pace since 2017.

Overall, less than half of all Other Property and Social Offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Many crimes within this category of offenses were cleared at rates well above 50%. However, the crime with one of the lowest clearance rates - Property Destruction/Damage/Vandalism – accounts for almost 40% of the crimes in this offense category, dropping the overall clearance rate. All offenses in this category were cleared at rates comparable to the previous four years.

Tables 117 – 125 and Figure 30 provide detailed information about Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Juvenile and Adult Arrests. Long-term trends since 2008 are also presented in Figure 30.

Figure 30: Sussex Cnty. Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008 – 19 Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses, Clearances, and Arrests, 2008-2019 7,000 6,500 2008-2019 Average 6,000 5,500 Offenses 5,000 4.500 4,000 3,500 3,000 2,500 Clearances 2,000 1,500 1,000 Adult Arrests 500

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Juvenile Arrests

Table 117: Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses

Sussex County Serious Offenses and C	learances ·	– Other Pro	perty and	Social Offe	enses
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All Other Property and Social Offenses	5,828	5,812	5,593	5,016	4,994
Percent Cleared	48.3%	47.3%	46.4%	44.7%	42.9%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	189	221	159	140	179
Percent Cleared	61.4%	57.9%	59.7%	55.0%	50.3%
Fraud	2,087	1,967	2,051	1,883	1,939
Percent Cleared	49.5%	48.6%	48.9%	41.1%	37.3%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	1,007	984	870	731	682
Percent Cleared	54.5%	49.8%	52.5%	49.4%	48.8%
Credit Card/ATM	321	288	287	267	257
Percent Cleared	34.6%	34.0%	38.3%	31.8%	33.9%
Impersonation	750	386	383	341	279
Percent Cleared	49.6%	82.4%	94.0%	85.3%	89.6%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wire Fraud	0	0	97	128	240
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	2.1%	2.3%	4.6%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hacking/Computer Invasion	9	309	414	416	481
Percent Cleared	11.1%	15.9%	17.9%	8.2%	8.9%
Embezzlement	82	67	73	62	53
Percent Cleared	65.9%	77.6%	79.5%	71.0%	81.1%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	305	299	223	152	141
Percent Cleared	85.2%	83.3%	85.2%	87.5%	90.1%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	2,694	2,622	2,383	2,078	1,977
Percent Cleared	36.2%	37.1%	37.0%	41.0%	39.2%

Table 117: SC Serious Offenses and Clearances - Other Property and Social Offenses (cont.)

Sussex County Serious Offenses and Clearances – Other Property and Social Offenses (Continued)									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	15	14	15	8	14				
Percent Cleared	93.3%	64.3%	33.3%	50.0%	50.0%				
Incest	0	1	0	0	0				
Percent Cleared	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Statutory Rape	15	13	15	8	14				
Percent Cleared	60.0%	69.2%	33.3%	50.0%	50.0%				
Pornography/ Obscene Material	45	36	27	23	35				
Percent Cleared	68.9%	75.0%	44.4%	60.9%	57.1%				
Gambling Offenses	6	1	0	10	1				
Percent Cleared	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	40.0%	100.0%				
Prostitution	15	24	27	23	16				
Percent Cleared	93.3%	91.7%	100.0%	95.7%	93.8%				
Prostitution	7	13	10	10	6				
Percent Cleared	85.7%	84.6%	100.0%	100.0%	83.3%				
Promoting Prostitution	1	1	1	1	1				
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%				
Purchasing Prostitution	7	10	16	12	9				
Percent Cleared	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	91.7%	100.0%				
Bribery	0	0	1	2	0				
Percent Cleared	N/A	N/A	100.0%	50.0%	N/A				
Weapons Law Violations	379	377	363	323	330				
Percent Cleared	84.2%	82.5%	84.0%	88.2%	90.6%				
Cruelty To Animals	11	184	271	312	309				
Percent Cleared	9.1%	10.3%	7.0%	10.9%	13.3%				

Table 118: Sussex County Percentage Difference in Other Property and Social Offenses Received

Sussex County Percentage	e Differenc	e in Other	Property a	nd Social (Offenses Re	ceived
	15 – 16	16 – 17	17 - 18	18 - 19	15 - 19	Average 15-18 vs 19
All Other Property and Social Offenses	-0.3%	-3.8%	-10.3%	-0.4%	-14.3%	-10.2%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	16.9%	-28.1%	-12.0%	27.9%	-5.3%	1.0%
Fraud	-5.8%	4.3%	-8.2%	3.0%	-7.1%	-2.9%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	-2.3%	-11.6%	-16.0%	-6.7%	-32.3%	-24.1%
Credit Card/ATM	-10.3%	-0.4%	-7.0%	-3.7%	-19.9%	-11.6%
Impersonation	-48.5%	-0.8%	-11.0%	-18.2%	-62.8%	-40.0%
Welfare Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wire Fraud	0.0%	0.0%	32.0%	87.5%	24,000.0%	326.7%
Identity Theft	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	3333.3%	34.0%	0.5%	15.6%	5,244.4%	67.6%
Embezzlement	-18.3%	9.0%	-15.1%	-14.5%	-35.4%	-25.4%
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	-2.0%	-25.4%	-31.8%	-7.2%	-53.8%	-42.4%
Property Destruction/Vandalism	-2.7%	-9.1%	-12.8%	-4.9%	-26.6%	-19.1%
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	-6.7%	7.1%	-46.7%	75.0%	-6.7%	7.7%
Incest	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%
Statutory Rape	-13.3%	15.4%	-46.7%	75.0%	-6.7%	9.8%
Pornography/Obsc. Material	-20.0%	-25.0%	-14.8%	52.2%	-22.2%	6.9%
Gambling Offenses	-83.3%	-100.0%	1000.0%	-90.0%	-83.3%	-76.5%
Prostitution	60.0%	12.5%	-14.8%	-30.4%	6.7%	-28.1%
Prostitution	85.7%	-23.1%	0.0%	-40.0%	-14.3%	-40.0%
Promoting Prostitution	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Purchasing Prostitution	42.9%	60.0%	-25.0%	-25.0%	28.6%	-20.0%
Bribery	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	-100.0%	0.0%	-100.0%
Weapons Law Violations	-0.5%	-3.7%	-11.0%	2.2%	-12.9%	-8.5%
Cruelty To Animals	1572.7%	47.3%	15.1%	-1.0%	2709.1%	58.9%

Table 119: Sussex County Other Property and Social Offenses: Crime Rates per 1,000 People

Sussex County Other Property and So	ocial Offens	es: Crime R	ates per 1	,000 Peopl	e
Sussex County Population	215,622	218,820	223,010	229,087	231,619
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.8
Fraud	9.7	9.0	9.2	8.2	8.4
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	4.7	4.5	3.9	3.2	2.9
Credit Card/ATM	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1
Impersonation	3.5	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.2
Welfare Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wire Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.6	1.0
Identity Fraud	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	<0.1	1.4	1.9	1.8	2.1
Embezzlement	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	1.4	1.4	1.0	0.7	0.6
Property Destruction/Vandalism	12.5	12.0	10.7	9.1	8.5
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1
Incest	0.0	<0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Statutory Rape	0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.1
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
Gambling Offenses	<0.1	<0.1	0.0	<0.1	<0.1
Prostitution	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Prostitution	<0.1	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Promoting Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Purchasing Prostitution	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1
Bribery	0.0	0.0	<0.1	<0.1	0.0
Weapons Law Violations	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4
Cruelty To Animals	0.1	0.8	1.2	1.4	1.3

Sussex County Other Property and Social Offense Arrests

Table 120: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Adult Arrests – C					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Counterfeiting/Forgery	76	92	61	45	64
Fraud	528	516	566	439	377
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	259	249	224	174	147
Credit Card/ATM	16	12	13	14	12
Impersonation	253	249	321	241	211
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	0	0	1	0	4
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	6	7	10	3
Embezzlement	46	41	53	38	32
Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	49	48	41	35	50
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Property Destruction/Vandalism	156	183	164	175	151
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	7	7	9	4	7
Incest	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	7	7	9	4	7
Pornography/ Obscene Material	16	14	8	5	5
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	4	0
Prostitution	18	21	19	21	8
Prostitution	6	6	5	8	1
Promoting Prostitution	1	4	0	1	1
Purchasing Prostitution	11	11	14	12	6
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations	47	49	51	56	47
Cruelty To Animals	1	10	7	12	10

Table 121: Sussex Cnty. Adult Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Adult Arrests — Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
. , ,	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	76	92	61	45	64		
Percent Male	59.2%	56.5%	60.7%	57.8%	71.9%		
Percent White	72.4%	70.7%	72.1%	66.7%	60.9%		
Percent Black	21.1%	29.3%	27.9%	33.3%	39.1%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	14.5%	7.6%	8.2%	6.7%	4.7%		
Fraud	528	516	566	439	377		
Percent Male	64.8%	64.0%	62.4%	61.0%	62.6%		
Percent White	66.3%	63.8%	64.5%	61.0%	61.0%		
Percent Black	33.1%	35.3%	35.5%	38.7%	37.7%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	5.1%	6.2%	6.2%	9.1%	7.7%		
Embezzlement	46	41	53	38	32		
Percent Male	47.8%	46.3%	39.6%	44.7%	28.1%		
Percent White	78.3%	78.0%	81.1%	65.8%	78.1%		
Percent Black	19.6%	22.0%	18.9%	31.6%	21.9%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	7.3%	0.0%	2.6%	6.3%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	49	48	41	35	50		
Percent Male	93.9%	81.3%	85.4%	88.6%	90.0%		
Percent White	46.9%	41.7%	46.3%	45.7%	26.0%		
Percent Black	51.0%	58.3%	53.7%	54.3%	74.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.1%	0.0%	4.9%	5.7%	18.0%		
Property Destruction	156	183	164	175	151		
Percent Male	77.6%	75.4%	78.0%	73.1%	74.8%		
Percent White	64.1%	65.6%	57.3%	64.6%	50.3%		
Percent Black	35.9%	33.9%	41.5%	35.4%	48.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	4.5%	4.9%	4.9%	5.7%	6.0%		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	7	7	9	4	7		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	71.4%	85.7%	55.6%	50.0%	85.7%		
Percent Black	28.6%	14.3%	44.4%	50.0%	14.3%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	42.9%	42.9%	22.2%	25.0%	28.6%		

Table 122: Sussex County Adult Arrests – Social Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity, 15 -19

Sussex County Adult Arrests – Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Pornography	16	14	8	5	5			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Percent White	100.0%	64.3%	75.0%	100.0%	80.0%			
Percent Black	0.0%	28.6%	25.0%	0.0%	20.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	4	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	50.0%	N/A			
Prostitution	18	21	19	21	8			
Percent Male	61.1%	66.7%	73.7%	85.7%	75.0%			
Percent White	66.7%	66.7%	78.9%	85.7%	75.0%			
Percent Black	11.1%	33.3%	21.1%	14.3%	25.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	61.1%	33.3%	36.8%	57.1%	25.0%			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	47	49	51	56	47			
Percent Male	91.5%	98.0%	96.1%	98.2%	97.9%			
Percent White	72.3%	71.4%	70.6%	66.1%	68.1%			
Percent Black	27.7%	28.6%	27.5%	32.1%	31.9%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	2.1%	6.1%	2.0%	5.4%	0.0%			

Table 123: Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019							
-	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	1	0	1	1		
Fraud	11	15	15	17	8		
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con Games	3	2	6	6	4		
Credit Card/ATM	0	3	0	0	1		
Impersonation	8	10	9	11	3		
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0		
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0		
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0		
Embezzlement	1	0	2	0	2		
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Stolen Property (sell, receive, possess)	3	5	6	3	1		
Property Destruction/Vandalism	59	48	56	23	33		
Nonforcible Sex Offenses	0	2	0	0	0		
Incest	0	0	0	0	0		
Statutory Rape	0	2	0	0	0		
Statutory hape	0	2	U	0	0		
Pornography/ Obscene Material	0	1	1	0	0		
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	1		
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0		
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Bribery	0	0	0	0	0		
Weapons Law Violations	7	16	14	11	12		
Cruelty To Animals	0	0	0	0	1		

Table 124: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Other Property Offenses, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Other Property Offenses 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity							
Other Property Offenses 201:	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	1	0	1	1		
Percent Male	66.7%	0.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	66.7%	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	100.0%		
Percent Black	33.3%	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	0.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%		
Fraud	11	15	15	17	8		
Percent Male	72.7%	73.3%	73.3%	76.5%	62.5%		
Percent White	27.3%	66.7%	60.0%	35.3%	62.5%		
Percent Black	72.7%	33.3%	40.0%	64.7%	37.5%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	20.0%	6.7%	5.9%	25.0%		
Embezzlement	1	0	2	0	2		
Percent Male	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%		
Percent White	0.0%	N/A	50.0%	N/A	50.0%		
Percent Black	100.0%	N/A	50.0%	N/A	50.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%		
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)	3	5	6	3	1		
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	83.3%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent White	66.7%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%		
Percent Black	33.3%	100.0%	16.7%	100.0%	100.0%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%		
Property Destruction	59	48	56	23	33		
Percent Male	88.1%	89.6%	91.1%	87.0%	78.8%		
Percent White	50.8%	64.6%	60.7%	43.5%	36.4%		
Percent Black	45.8%	35.4%	39.3%	47.8%	57.6%		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	6.8%	8.3%	5.4%	8.7%	3.0%		
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0	2	0	0	0		
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Percent White	N/A	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Percent Black	N/A	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Table 125: Sussex...Juvenile Arrests – Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, Ethnicity

Sussex County Juvenile Arrests – Other Property and Social Offenses: Social Offenses, 2015 – 2019, by Gender, Race, and Ethnicity								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Pornography	0	1	1	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	0.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A			
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	1			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%			
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0			
Percent Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Weapons Offenses	7	16	14	11	12			
Percent Male	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	81.8%	91.7%			
Percent White	28.6%	62.5%	78.6%	45.5%	58.3%			
Percent Black	71.4%	37.5%	21.4%	54.5%	41.7%			
Percent Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	18.8%	42.9%	0.0%	8.3%			

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY STAFFING AND OFFICERS KILLED AND ASSAULTED, 2015 – 2019

This final section of the *Crime in Delaware* report examines the staffing trends among Delaware's police agencies and violent crimes committed against law enforcement officers.

Full Time Law Enforcement Officers and Civilian Employees

The number of law enforcement officers and civilians employed in Delaware police departments and agencies totaled 2,375 and 1,045 in 2019. The law enforcement officer total reflects an increase of 6% between 2015 and 2019. The civilian employee total reflects a decrease of almost 2% from 2015 to 2019.

In 2019, municipalities employed just over half of Delaware's officers and 24% of the civilian law enforcement employees. The Delaware State Police was the next largest employer of officers and civilians, followed by other agencies, such as the Capitol Police, Delaware River and Bay Authority, the State Fire Marshal, and enforcement units of various state agencies. The Delaware Attorney General's Office (see Table 126) employed the remaining officers and civilians. A full list of employee counts by jurisdiction and employee type is located in Table 143 at the end of this section.

Table 126: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Employees by Agency and Employee Type

Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Employees by Agency and Employee Type										
Agency Type	Agency Type 2015 20		20	2016 2017		17	2018		2019	
	Officer	Civilian	Officer	Civilian	Officer	Civilian	Officer	Civilian	Officer	Civilian
Delaware State Police	721	240	724	242	734	235	732	232	733	234
City/Town	1,165	311	1,188	290	1,192	319	1,200	205	1,237	247
Special Agency	319	135	336	140	356	152	345	172	366	172
Attorney General's Office	34	378	35	395	43	424	39	384	39	392
Total	2,239	1,064	2,283	1,067	2,325	1,130	2,316	993	2,375	1,045

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Delaware

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers were up 16% from 2015.

Assault-related offenses committed against police officers in 2019 (448) were the highest in the five-year period.

Almost all offenses, 94%, had been cleared before the end of 2019. Assaults against officers continue to be cleared at rates around 95%. Figure 31 illustrates the trends in assaults against officers since 2008.

No officers were killed in 2019 and almost 21% of assaults resulted in injuries.

There were no attempted homicides of police officers. There were a record 24 attempted homicides of police officers in 2017. The majority of those, 18, were attributed to a stand-off with a subject, who fired weapons at responding police officers after killing an officer.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, handling prisoners, and traffic pursuits, and most often involved single-officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest and handling prisoners accounted for roughly 60-70% of assaults against officers during the 2015 through 2019 period. Dealing with mentally-deranged people accounted for a much higher percentage of all assaults on officers than previous report period years.

Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers. During the 2015 through 2019 period, 72-85% of all assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. On average, one in 20 assaults during this period involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument.

Tables 127 – 130 and Figures 31 – 33 provide more detail about assaults against Delaware officers.

Table 127: Violent Offenses Committed Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers, 2015 – 19

Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers, 2015 – 2019									
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019								
Officers Assaulted	386	414	407	425	448				
Officers Killed	0	0	2	0	0				
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	1	24	0	1				
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	17.9%	18.8%	17.4%	16.7%	20.5%				
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	96.1%	97.1%	93.6%	93.4%	94.4%				

Note: The majority (18) of the increase in "Attempted Homicides on Officers" in 2017 is attributable to the fatal shooting of an officer and the subsequent stand-off that involved the subject shooting at multiple responding officers.

Figure 31: Assaults Against Law Enforcement Officers, 2008 – 2019

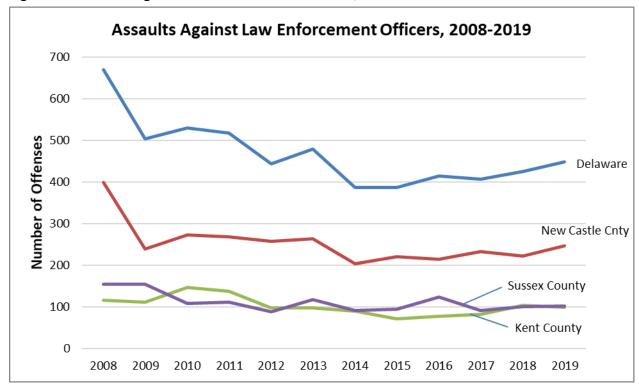
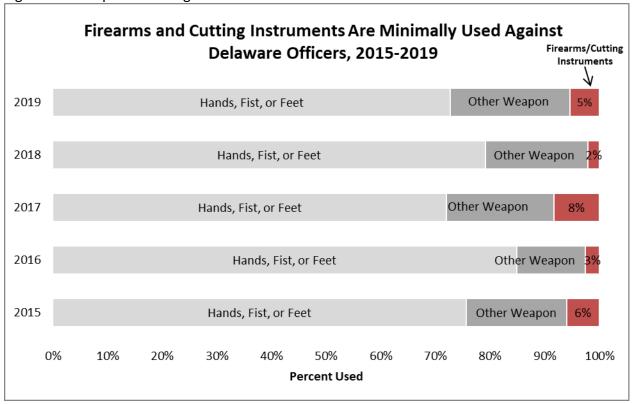


Figure 32: Weapons Used Against Law Enforcement Officers 2015 – 2019



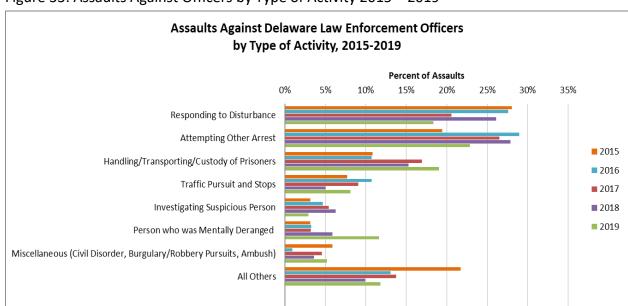


Figure 33: Assaults Against Officers by Type of Activity 2015 – 2019

Table 128: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers by Type of Activity

Assaults by Type of Activity Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Delaware Officers Assaulted	386	414	407	425	448	
Type of Activity						
Responding to Disturbance	26.9%	23.9%	20.6%	23.1%	18.3%	
Attempting Other Arrest	22.3%	31.6%	26.5%	28.0%	22.8%	
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	10.6%	12.3%	17.0%	17.4%	19.0%	
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	7.8%	9.9%	9.1%	8.5%	8.5%	
Investigating Suspicious Person	2.6%	4.1%	5.4%	4.9%	2.9%	
Person who was Mentally Deranged	4.4%	2.4%	3.2%	5.2%	11.6%	
Civil Disorder	2.6%	1.0%	2.5%	1.2%	3.3%	
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	2.3%	0.7%	1.2%	0.2%	0.4%	
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.2%	1.3%	
Ambush	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	
All Others	20.5%	13.8%	13.8%	10.8%	11.8%	

Table 129: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers by Type of Weapon

Assaults by Type of Weapon Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019						
2015 2016 2017 2018 2						
Delaware Officers Assaulted	386	414	407	425	448	
Type of Weapon						
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	75.9%	85.0%	72.0%	79.1%	72.8%	
Firearm	4.7%	1.7%	6.6%	2.1%	3.6%	
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.0%	0.7%	1.7%	0.7%	1.8%	
Other Dangerous Weapon	18.4%	12.6%	19.7%	18.1%	21.9%	

Table 130: Violent Offenses Against Delaware Law Enforcement Officers by Type of Assignment

Assaults by Type of Assignment Delaware Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Delaware Officers Assaulted	386	414	407	425	448		
Type of Assignment							
Two Man Vehicle	12.4%	16.9%	9.6%	9.4%	8.0%		
One Man Vehicle	63.7%	58.2%	60.7%	59.1%	66.1%		
One Man Vehicle Assisted	6.5%	6.8%	6.1%	8.5%	6.9%		
Detective or Special Assignment	3.6%	5.1%	8.8%	10.1%	5.6%		
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	2.8%	4.6%	5.4%	5.4%	5.1%		
Other	5.2%	4.6%	5.9%	3.5%	2.9%		
Other Assisted	5.7%	3.9%	3.4%	4.0%	5.4%		

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers in the county have increased from 2015 totals. Assault-related offenses committed against officers in the county were 12% higher in 2019 when compared to 2015, but year-to-year trends have been mixed. Trends in assaults against officers in the county since 2008 can be seen in Figure 31.

Almost all assault-related offenses (94%) had been cleared before the end of 2019. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at very high rates.

No officers were killed in 2019 and 19% of assaults on officers resulted in injuries. There were no attempted homicides on officers in 2019, but 23 attempted homicides on officers in 2017. This was a record number. The majority of those, 18, were attributed to a stand-off with a subject, who fired weapons at responding police officers after he shot and killed an officer. The six attempted homicides not attributed to that event are a high for the report period. The percentage of assaults on officers that resulted in injuries was a high, but comparable to previous years.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, and most often involved single-officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners accounted for over 60% of assaults against officers in the county during the 2015 through 2019 period.

Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county and decreased from a high in 2017. From 2015 through 2019, roughly 70% of all assaults against officers in the county involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon, with a high of 83% in 2016. About one in 14 assaults during 2019 involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument.

Tables 131 – 134 provide more detail about assaults against officers in the county.

Table 131: Violent Offenses Committed Against Officers in New Castle County, 2015 – 2019

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in New Castle County, 2015 – 19							
	2015	2015 2016 2017 2018					
Officers Assaulted	221	214	233	222	247		
Officers Killed	0	0	2	0	0		
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	23	0	0		
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	14.9%	16.8%	17.6%	15.3%	18.6%		
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	95.5%	96.3%	90.1%	91.9%	93.9%		

Table 132: Violent Offenses Against Officers in New Castle County by Type of Activity, 15-19

Assaults by Type of Activity									
Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019				
Officers Assaulted	221	214	233	222	247				
Type of Activity									
Responding to Disturbance	28.1%	27.6%	18.5%	26.1%	19.8%				
Attempting Other Arrest	19.5%	29.0%	27.5%	27.9%	22.3%				
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	10.9%	10.7%	17.6%	15.3%	14.2%				
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	7.7%	10.7%	7.7%	5.0%	8.9%				
Investigating Suspicious Person	3.2%	4.7%	7.3%	6.3%	4.0%				
Person who was Mentally Deranged	3.2%	3.3%	3.0%	5.9%	13.0%				
Civil Disorder	2.3%	0.9%	2.6%	1.8%	4.9%				
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	3.6%	0.0%	1.3%	0.5%	0.8%				
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	0.5%	0.4%				
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%				
All Others	21.7%	13.1%	13.3%	9.9%	11.7%				

Table 133: Violent Offenses Against Officers in New Castle County by Type of Weapon, 15 – 19

Assaults by Type of Weapon								
Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019								
Officers Assaulted	221	214	233	222	247			
Type of Weapon								
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	67.4%	83.2%	64.8%	81.5%	72.4%			
Firearm	6.3%	1.4%	9.9%	1.8%	4.5%			
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.8%	0.9%	3.0%	0.9%	2.4%			
Other Dangerous Weapon	24.4%	14.5%	22.3%	15.8%	21.1%			

Table 134: Violent Offenses Against Officers in New Castle County by Type of Assignment

Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in New Castle County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019							
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019						
Officers Assaulted	221	214	233	222	247		
Type of Assignment							
Two Man Vehicle	17.6%	23.8%	12.4%	12.6%	12.1%		
One Man Vehicle	65.6%	57.9%	54.1%	56.3%	61.1%		
One Man Vehicle Assisted	4.5%	4.2%	7.3%	9.0%	7.3%		
Detective or Special Assignment	3.6%	4.2%	10.7%	8.6%	6.1%		
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	2.3%	4.2%	7.3%	8.1%	6.1%		
Other	1.8%	1.9%	5.6%	2.3%	2.4%		
Other Assisted	4.5%	3.7%	2.6%	3.2%	4.9%		

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Kent County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers have decreased from a 2018 high. Assault-related offenses committed against officers were 39% higher in 2019 when compared to 2015. Trends in assaults against officers in the county since 2008 can be seen in Figure 31.

Almost all assault related offenses had been cleared by the end of 2019. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at rates at or near 100%.

No officers in the county were killed in 2019 but 18% of assault-related offenses resulted in injuries. No officers were killed in the line of duty during the 2015 through 2019 period. The percentage of assault-related offenses that resulted in injury is at the second lowest point of the five-year period.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, and most often involved single-officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners generally accounted for roughly 60-70% of assaults against officers in the county during the 2015 through 2019 period.

Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county. During the period 2015 through 2019, around four out of every five assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. Assaults during this period that involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument generally accounted for up to 6% of the total offenses, but 2017 and 2018 were lower. The use of "Other Dangerous Weapons" has continued at a high rate, in-line with 2018 usage.

Tables 135 – 138 provide more detail about assaults against officers in Kent County.

Table 135: Violent Offenses Committed Against Officers in Kent County, 2015 – 2019

Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 19						
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2					
Officers Assaulted	71	77	82	103	99	
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0	
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	1	1	0	1	
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	21.1%	22.1%	23.2%	17.5%	18.2%	
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	100.0%	98.7%	100.0%	97.1%	94.9%	

Table 136: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Kent County by Type of Activity, 2015 – 19

Assaults by Type of Activity										
Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019										
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019					
Officers Assaulted	71	77	82	103	99					
Type of Activity	Type of Activity									
Responding to Disturbance	31.0%	27.3%	24.4%	15.5%	18.2%					
Attempting Other Arrest	28.2%	24.7%	18.3%	32.0%	22.2%					
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	8.5%	7.8%	13.4%	18.4%	27.3%					
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	5.6%	9.1%	12.2%	13.6%	8.1%					
Investigating Suspicious Person	1.4%	5.2%	4.9%	2.9%	1.0%					
Person who was Mentally Deranged	8.5%	3.9%	3.7%	3.9%	8.1%					
Civil Disorder	4.2%	1.3%	2.4%	1.0%	1.0%					
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%					
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%					
Ambush	0.0%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%					
All Others	12.7%	19.5%	18.3%	12.6%	10.1%					

Table 137: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Kent County by Type of Weapon, 2015 – 19

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Assaults by Type of Weapon								
Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 202							
Officers Assaulted	71	77	82	103	99			
Type of Weapon				-				
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	78.9%	83.1%	82.9%	68.9%	68.4%			
Firearm	4.2%	5.2%	1.2%	1.0%	3.1%			
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%			
Other Dangerous Weapon	15.5%	11.7%	15.9%	30.1%	29.6%			

Table 138: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Kent County by Type of Assignment, 2015 – 19

Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in Kent County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019								
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019							
Officers Assaulted	71	77	82	103	99			
Type of Assignment			-					
Two Man Vehicle	9.9%	6.5%	4.9%	4.9%	3.0%			
One Man Vehicle	60.6%	58.4%	70.7%	56.3%	73.7%			
One Man Vehicle Assisted	5.6%	9.1%	3.7%	7.8%	6.1%			
Detective or Special Assignment	7.0%	9.1%	9.8%	18.4%	4.0%			
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	7.0%	9.1%	1.2%	4.9%	2.0%			
Other	1.4%	2.6%	2.4%	1.0%	2.0%			
Other Assisted	8.5%	5.2%	7.3%	6.8%	9.1%			

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted in Sussex County

Assault-related offenses committed against law enforcement officers in the county in 2019 was the second highest of the report period. This was an almost 9% increase from 2015. Trends in assaults against officers in the county since 2008 can be seen in Figure 31.

The vast majority of assault-related offenses (95%) had been cleared before the end of 2019. Assaults against officers in the county continue to be cleared at rates around 95%.

No officers in the county were killed in 2019 but assaults on officers resulted in almost 28% of assaults resulting in injury. No officers were killed in the line of duty during the 2015 through 2019 period. While the number of assaults against officers is relatively similar to recent years, a higher percentage of those assaults resulted injuries.

Most assault-related offenses occurred while responding to disturbances, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners, and most often involved single-officer vehicles. Responding to a disturbance, attempting an arrest, and handling prisoners generally accounted for 60-70% of assaults against officers in the county during the 2015 through 2019 period. Dealing with a mentally deranged person, while typically a lower frequency activity, accounted for more than double the previous report period high, 12 in 2019 compared to 5 in 2018.

Guns and bladed instruments were used infrequently during assaults on officers in the county. During the period 2015 through 2019, more than 8 out of every 10 assaults against officers involved the use of hands, fists, or feet as a weapon. Assaults during this period that involved the use of a firearm or a cutting instrument were very infrequent, around 1% from 2015 to 2016 and 3-5% from 2017 to 2019.

Tables 139 – 142 provide more detail about assaults against officers in Sussex County.

Table 139: Violent Offenses Committed Against Officers in Sussex County, 2015 – 2019

Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 19							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Officers Assaulted	94	123	92	100	102		
Officers Killed	0	0	0	0	0		
Attempted Homicides on Officers	0	0	0	0	0		
Assaults Resulting in Officer Injury	22.3%	20.3%	12.0%	19.0%	27.5%		
Assault-related Offenses Cleared	94.7%	97.6%	96.7%	93.0%	95.1%		

Table 140: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Sussex County by Type of Activity, 2015 – 19

Assaults by Type of Activity						
Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex	County Ki	led and As	saulted, 2	015 – 2019	9	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Officers Activity	94	123	92	100	102	
Type of Assignment						
Responding to Disturbance	21.3%	15.4%	22.8%	24.0%	14.7%	
Attempting Other Arrest	24.5%	40.7%	31.5%	24.0%	24.5%	
Handling/Transporting Prisoners	11.7%	17.9%	18.5%	21.0%	22.5%	
Traffic Pursuit and Stops	9.6%	8.9%	9.8%	11.0%	7.8%	
Investigating Suspicious Person	2.1%	2.4%	1.1%	4.0%	2.0%	
Person who was Mentally Deranged	4.3%	0.0%	3.3%	5.0%	11.8%	
Civil Disorder	2.1%	0.8%	2.2%	0.0%	2.0%	
Burglaries in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	1.1%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Robberies in Progress/Pursuing Suspects	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	
Ambush	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
All Others	23.4%	11.4%	10.9%	11.0%	13.7%	

Table 141: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Sussex County by Type of Weapon, 2015 – 19

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Assaults by Type of Weapon								
Law Enforcement Officers in Susse	ex County Ki	lled and As	ssaulted, 2	2015 – 2019	9			
2015 2016 2017 2018 20								
Officers Assaulted	94	123	92	100	102			
Type of Weapon								
Hand, Fist, and/or Feet	92.5%	89.4%	80.4%	84.0%	79.4%			
Firearm	1.1%	0.0%	3.3%	4.0%	2.0%			
Knife or Other Cutting Instrument	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%			
Other Dangerous Weapon	6.5%	9.8%	16.3%	11.0%	16.7%			

Table 142: Violent Offenses Against Officers in Sussex County by Type of Assignment, 15-19

Assaults by Type of Assignment Law Enforcement Officers in Sussex County Killed and Assaulted, 2015 – 2019							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Officers Assaulted	94	123	92	100	102		
Type of Assignment	Type of Assignment						
Two Man Vehicle	2.1%	11.4%	6.5%	7.0%	2.9%		
One Man Vehicle	61.7%	58.5%	68.5%	68.0%	70.6%		
One Man Vehicle Assisted	11.7%	9.8%	5.4%	8.0%	6.9%		
Detective or Special Assignment	1.1%	4.1%	3.3%	5.0%	5.9%		
Detective or Special Assignment Assisted	1.1%	2.4%	4.3%	0.0%	5.9%		
Other	16.0%	10.6%	9.8%	9.0%	4.9%		
Other Assisted	6.4%	3.3%	2.2%	3.0%	2.9%		

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employee Type, 2015 – 2019

Agency	County	20	15	20	16	20	17	20	18	20	19
		Officers	Civilians								
Delaware State Police	Kent	257	158	271	174	265	150	269	147	260	155
(DSP)	New Castle	273	46	265	37	268	53	270	53	271	49
	Sussex	191	36	188	31	201	32	193	32	202	30
Delaware State Police	Totals	721	240	724	242	734	235	732	232	733	234
Bethany	Sussex	10	1	9	2	10	1	10	1	10	1
Bethel	Sussex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blades	Sussex	2	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0
Bowers Beach	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bridgeville	Sussex	8	0	5	3	7	0	7	0	7	0
Camden	Kent	8	1	8	1	8	1	7	1	9	0
Cheswold	Kent	3	0	3	0	4	0	5	0	5	0
Clayton	Kent	8	1	9	1	0	0	8	1	9	1
Dagsboro	Sussex	4	0	4	0	3	0	4	0	4	0
Delaware City	New Castle	3	2	4	1	4	1	3	1	4	1
Delmar	Sussex	12	1	12	1	13	1	13	1	13	1
Dewey Beach	Sussex	8	2	8	2	8	2	9	2	8	2
Dover	Kent	98	39	105	31	98	41	101	32	99	31
Ellendale	Sussex	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Elsmere	New Castle	11	1	12	1	9	4	11	1	12	1
Felton	Kent	4	0	4	0	3	0	4	0	4	0
Fenwick Island	Sussex	6	0	6	0	6	1	7	1	7	1
Frankford	Sussex	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frederica	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgetown	Sussex	15	5	18	2	20	5	19	4	19	4
Greenwood	Sussex	4	2	4	1	3	2	3	1	3	1
Harrington	Kent	12	1	12	1	13	1	13	1	13	1
Kenton	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employee Type (continued)

Agency	County	20	15	20	16	20	17	20	18	20	19
		Officers	Civilians								
Laurel	Sussex	12	1	15	1	17	1	16	1	19	1
Lewes	Sussex	16	1	12	1	13	1	13	1	13	1
Middletown	New Castle	29	5	31	4	32	6	33	6	34	8
Milford	Kent/Sussex	30	10	30	10	30	11	30	11	36	12
Millsboro	Sussex	13	2	12	1	15	1	16	1	16	2
Milton	Sussex	6	1	8	0	8	1	8	1	7	1
New Castle County Police	New Castle	345	124	367	116	379	122	377	40	387	76
New Castle City	New Castle	18	0	16	1	17	1	17	1	15	1
Newark	New Castle	69	18	71	17	70	18	70	18	71	18
Newport	New Castle	7	1	9	1	8	1	6	0	7	0
Ocean View	Sussex	9	2	9	1	9	1	11	1	11	1
Rehoboth Beach	Sussex	17	10	17	10	17	11	17	12	17	12
Seaford	Sussex	24	11	22	13	25	11	27	11	26	7
Selbyville	Sussex	5	0	6	1	6	1	8	1	9	1
Smyrna	Kent	22	7	22	7	23	7	23	7	25	7
South Bethany	Sussex	7	0	7	1	7	1	4	0	5	0
Viola	Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilmington	New Castle	313	62	302	58	300	64	292	46	306	54
Wyoming	Kent	4	0	4	0	3	0	4	0	3	0
City/Town Totals:		1,165	311	1,188	290	1,192	319	1,200	205	1,237	247
Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement	All Counties	15	2	17	2	17	2	14	2	16	2
DNREC-Environmental Crimes Unit	All Counties	10	2	9	1	10	2	9	2	8	3
Amtrak Police	New Castle	18	9	18	0	18	7	28	31	29	27

Table 143: Delaware Law Enforcement Agency Staffing: By Jurisdiction/Agency and Employee Type (continued)

Agency	County	20	15	20	16	20	17	20	18	20	19
		Officers	Civilians								
DHSS Animal Welfare	All Counties	0	0	14	5	22	11	16	0	20	10
Capitol Police	All Counties	64	28	64	24	67	25	66	23	66	18
Dover Fire Marshall	Kent	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	3	0	3
Delaware State Univ.	Kent	17	17	15	24	15	24	14	23	13	22
Delaware River and Bay Authority	NC/ Sussex	45	15	51	11	60	11	55	10	60	10
US Drug Enforcement Administration	New Castle	25	2	24	9	23	5	21	3	23	3
State Fire Marshall	All Counties	19	31	17	30	19	29	20	32	18	30
DNREC-Fish & Wildlife Enforcement	All Counties	23	1	26	6	26	4	26	9	28	7
DSP Drug Diversion Unit	All Counties					0	0	0	0	0	0
DNREC-Parks and Rec	All Counties	20	0	20	0	18	0	21	0	22	1
University of Delaware	NC/Sussex	50	26	49	26	50	25	46	28	54	31
Wilmington Fire Marshall	New Castle	12	0	12	0	11	5	9	6	9	5
Special Police Organiza	tion Totals	319	135	336	140	356	152	345	172	366	172
Officer and Civilian Totals	S	2,205	686	2,248	672	2,282	706	2,277	609	2,336	653
Attorney General's (AG)	Kent	5	58	7	65	10	72	9	67	10	71
Office	New Castle	28	273	27	279	31	296	28	265	28	267
	Sussex	1	47	1	51	2	56	2	52	1	54
Attorney General's Offi	ce Totals	34	378	35	395	43	424	39	384	39	392
Overall Totals		2,239	1,064	2,283	1,067	2,325	1,130	2,316	993	2,375	1,045

TECHNICAL APPENDIX

Detailed Explanation of Clearance Rates

In crime analysis, criminal offenses are considered to be 'solved' through either an arrest or through an alternative means when a suspect(s) has been identified but an arrest cannot be made. When an offense is solved in this way, it is considered to have been 'cleared' for crime reporting purposes. The federal definition of *clearance rate* is the percentage of offenses received that are 'solved' through an arrest or by exceptional means. An offense is 'cleared by arrest' for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of the offense, and turned over to a court for prosecution.

In certain situations, an offender cannot be arrested and formally charged. When this happens, the offense can be cleared by *exceptional means*. This type of clearance can be made if the following four conditions are met:

- the offender can be identified.
- there is enough evidence to support an arrest, make a charge, and turn the offender over to a court for prosecution.
- the offender's exact location is known so that the suspect could be taken into custody immediately.
- there are circumstances outside the control of law enforcement that prohibits the agency from arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender.

Examples of exceptional clearances include, but are not limited to:

- the death of the offender;
- confession of the offender under circumstances where prosecution is not possible (e.g., a death bed confession, a confession made while serving a life sentence in another jurisdiction and extradition for trial is not possible);
- the refusal of a victim to cooperate with the prosecution after the offender has been identified;
- denial of extradition (e.g., because the offender committed a crime in another jurisdiction and is being prosecuted for that offense);
- The handling of minor juvenile offenses outside of juvenile court as a matter of publicly accepted police policy.

Clearances involving only persons under 18 years of age

When a juvenile offender is cited to appear in juvenile court or before other juvenile authorities, the FBI considers the incident in question to be cleared by arrest, even though a physical arrest may not have occurred. When clearances involve juvenile and adult offenders, those incidents are classified by the FBI as clearances for crimes committed by adults. Since clearance percentages for crimes involving juvenile offenders only include clearances where an adult was not also involved, juvenile clearance figures should be interpreted with caution—they do not present a definitive picture of juvenile involvement in crime.

Some Factors that Affect Clearance Rates

Single versus Multiple Offenses: In some situations, an offender may commit multiple criminal offenses, either in a single incident of crime or over several incidents. In other situations, two or more people may commit a single offense during a single criminal incident. These situations each work differently with respect to clearances. In the first example, the arrest or identification of that person can clear multiple offenses, while in the second example, the arrest or identification of several persons would only clear one offense.

The Nature of Some Types of Crime: Violent Criminal Offenses (Murder, Forcible Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault) often undergo a more intensive investigative effort than crimes against property. Also, victims and/or witnesses often identify the perpetrators. Property crimes such as theft from a motor vehicle or vandalism often occur in the absence of witnesses, making it more difficult to identify suspects. Consequently, Violent Offenses tend to have higher clearance rates than Property Offenses. Drug/Narcotic offenses clear at high rates because of the nature of those crimes and how they come to the attention of law enforcement agencies.

FBI NIBRS CRIME DEFINITIONS

Criminal Offense	Definition
Arson	The willful and malicious burning of a dwelling, motor vehicle, or other
	personal property, with or without the intent to defraud.
Assault Offenses	
Aggravated	An unlawful attack by one person upon another wherein the offender uses a
	weapon or displays it in a threatening manner, or the victim suffers obvious
	severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of
	teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.
Simple	An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the
	offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or
	aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth,
	possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.
Bribery	The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value (i.e., a bribe, gratuity, or kickback) to sway the judgment or action of a person in a
	position of trust or influence.
Burglary/Breaking and	The unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to
Entering	commit a felony or a theft. Burglary: The unlawful entry (or attempted entry)
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	into a building or structure to commit a crime.
Counterfeiting or	The altering, copying, or imitation of something, without authority or right,
Forgery	with the intent to deceive or defraud by passing the copy or thing altered or
.	imitated as that which is original or genuine; or the selling, buying or
	possession of an altered, copied, or imitated thing with the intent to deceive
	or defraud.
Destruction, Damage, or	To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real
Vandalism of Property	or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having
	custody or control of it.
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of
	certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their
	preparation and/or use.
Drug Equipment	The unlawful manufacture, sale, purchase, possession, or transportation of
Violation	equipment or devices utilized in preparing and/or using drugs or narcotics.
Embezzlement	The unlawful misappropriation by an offender to his/her own use or purpose
	of money, property, or some other thing of value entrusted to his/her care,
	custody, or control.
Extortion or Blackmail	To unlawfully obtain money, property, or any other thing of value, either
	tangible or intangible, through the use or threat of force, misuse of
	authority, threat of criminal prosecution, threat of destruction of reputation
	or social standing, or through other coercive means.
Fraud Offenses	
False Pretense,	The intentional misrepresentation of existing fact or condition, or the use of
Swindle, Confidence	some other deceptive scheme or device, to obtain money, goods, or other
Game	things of value.

Criminal Offense	Definition
Credit Card/ ATM	The unlawful use of a credit (or debit) card or automatic teller machine for
Fraud	fraudulent purposes. This offense does not apply to the theft of a
	credit/debit card but rather its fraudulent use.
Impersonation	Falsely representing one's identity or position, and acting in the character or
	position thus unlawfully assumed, to deceive others and thereby gain a profit
	or advantage, enjoy some right or privilege, or subject another person or
	entity to an expense, charge, or liability which would not have otherwise
	been incurred.
Welfare Fraud	The use of deceitful statements, practices or devices to unlawfully obtain
	welfare benefits.
Wire Fraud	The use of an electric or electronic communications facility to intentionally
	transmit a false and/or deceptive message in furtherance of a fraudulent
	activity.
Identity Theft	Wrongfully obtaining and using another person's personal data (e.g., name,
,	date of birth, Social Security number, driver's license number, credit card
	number)
Hacking/Computer	Wrongfully gaining access to another person's or institution's computer
Invasion	software, hardware, or networks without authorized permissions or security
	clearances
Gambling Offenses	To unlawfully bet or wager money or something else of value; assist,
	promote, or operate a game of chance for money or some other stake;
	possess or transmit wagering information; manufacture, sell, purchase,
	possess, or transport gambling equipment, devices, or goods; or tamper with
	the outcome of a sporting event or contest to gain a gambling advantage.
Gambling Equipment	To unlawfully manufacture, sell, buy, possess, or transport equipment,
Violations	devices, and/or goods used for gambling purposes. Such equipment is also
	known as "gambling paraphernalia".
Operating/	To unlawfully operate, promote, or assist in the operation of a game of
Promoting/ Assisting	chance, lottery, or other gambling activity.
Sports Tampering	To unlawfully alter, meddle in, or otherwise interfere with a sporting contest
	or event for the purpose of gaining a gambling advantage. This offense
	includes engaging in bribery for gambling purposes.
Other	Betting/Wagering: To unlawfully stake money or something else of value on
	the happening of an uncertain event or on the ascertainment of a fact in
	dispute.
Homicide Offenses	
Criminal Homicide	This includes Murder – the willful, non-negligent killing of one human being
	by another – and negligent Manslaughter.
Justifiable Homicide	The killing of a perpetrator of a serious criminal offense by a peace officer in
	the line of duty; or the killing, during the commission of a serious criminal
	offense, of the perpetrator by a private individual.
Kidnapping or Abduction	The unlawful seizure, transportation, and/or detention of a person against
	his/her will, or of a minor without the consent of his/her custodial parent(s)
	or legal guardian. This offense includes not only kidnapping and abduction,
	but hostage situations as well.

Criminal Offense	Definition
Human Trafficking	The inducement of a person to perform a commercial sex act, or labor, or
Offenses	services, through force, fraud, or coercion. Human trafficking has also
	occurred if a juvenile has been induced or enticed (regardless of force, fraud,
	or coercion) to perform a commercial sex act.
Commercial Sex Acts	Inducing a person by force, fraud, or coercion to participate in commercial
	sex acts, or if a juvenile is induced to perform such act(s).
Involuntary Servitude	Obtaining a person(s) through recruitment, harboring, transportation, or
	provision, and subjecting such persons by force, fraud, or coercion into
	voluntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery (not to include
	commercial sex acts)
Larceny-Theft Offenses	The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the
	possession, or constructive possession, of another person.
Pocket-Picking	The theft of articles from another person's physical possession by stealth
	where the victim usually does not become immediately aware of the theft.
Purse-Snatching	The grabbing or snatching of a purse, handbag, etc., from the physical
	possession of another person.
Shoplifting	The theft, by someone other than an employee of the victim, of goods or
	merchandise exposed for sale.
Theft from Motor	The theft of articles from a motor vehicle, whether locked or unlocked.
Vehicle	
Theft of Motor	The theft of any part or accessory affixed to the interior or exterior of a
Vehicle Parts or	motor vehicle in a manner which would make the item an attachment of the
Accessories	vehicle or necessary for its operation.
Theft from Building	A theft from within a building which is either open to the general public or
	where the offender has legal access.
Theft from a Coin-	A theft from a machine or device which is operated or activated by the use of
Operated Machine or	coins.
Device	
All Other Larceny	All thefts which do not fit any of the definitions of the specific subcategories
	of Larceny/Theft listed above.
Motor Vehicle Theft	The theft (or attempted theft) of a motor vehicle by person(s) without lawful
	access to the vehicle.
Pornography/ Obscene	The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, publishing,
Material	sale, purchase, or possession of sexually explicit material, e.g., literature,
	photographs, etc.
Prostitution Offenses	
Prostitution	To unlawfully engage in sexual relations for profit. This offense includes
	prostitution by both males and females.
Assisting or	To solicit customers or transport persons for prostitution purposes; to own,
Promoting	manage, or operate a dwelling or other establishment for the purpose of
Prostitution	providing a place where prostitution is performed; or to otherwise assist or
	promote prostitution.
Robbery	Feloniously taking or attempting to take anything of value from someone by
	force, threat of force, violence, and/or by putting the victim in fear.
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Criminal Offense	Definition
Sex Offenses, Forcible	Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.
Forcible Rape	The carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth).
Forcible Sodomy	Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
Sexual Assault with an Object	To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity. An "object" or "instrument" is anything used by the offender other than the offender's genitalia.
Forcible Fondling	The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of this/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
Sex Offenses, Non- Forcible	Unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.
Incest	Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
Statutory Rape	Non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.
Stolen Property Offenses	Receiving, buying, selling, possessing, concealing, or transporting any property with the knowledge that it has been unlawfully taken, as by burglary, embezzlement, fraud, larceny, robbery, etc.
Weapon Law Violations	The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons. Includes violations such as the manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; using, manufacturing, etc. silencers; and furnishing deadly weapons to minors.
Cruelty To Animals	Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly taking an action that mistreats or kills any animal without just cause, such as torturing, tormenting, mutilation, maiming, poisoning, or abandonment

Criminal Offense	Definition
All Other Offenses	All crimes which are not Group-A offenses and not included in one of the specifically named Group B crime categories listed above. Offenses of general applicability (i.e., any offense prefixed by "accessory before/after the fact", "aiding and abetting", "assault to commit", "conspiracy to commit", "facilitation of", "solicitation to commit", "threat to commit", or any other prefix identifying it as other than the substantive offense) are included in this
	category, if the substantive offense is within Group A.

NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) CODES FOR GROUP "A" OFFENSES

Group "A" Offenses	National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Code
Arson	2001–2009; 2099
Assault Offenses	
Aggravated Assault	1301–1312; 1314–1315; 1321-1323
Simple Assault	1313
Intimidation	1316; 5215–5216
Bribery	5101–5113; 5199
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	2201–2205; 2207; 2299
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2501–2507; 2509; 2510; 2589; 2599
Property	2901–2906; 2999
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	
Drug/Narcotic Offenses/Violations	
Drug/Narcotic	3501–3505; 3510–3513; 3520–3523; 3530–3533; 3540
	-3543; 3560-3564; 3570-3573; 3580-3583; 3599
Drug Equipment Violations	3550
Embezzlement	2701–2705; 2799
Extortion/Blackmail	2101–2105; 2199
Fraud Offenses	
False Pretenses/Swindle/Con	2601–2603; 2607; 2699
Credit Card/ATM Machine	2605
Impersonation	2604
Welfare Fraud	2609
Wire Fraud	2608
Identity Theft	None
Hacking/Computer Invasion	None
Gambling-related Offenses	
Operating/Promoting/Assisting	3901–3902; 3904–3905; 3907; 3915–3916; 3918; 3920–
Gambling	3921
Gambling Equipment Violations	3908–3914
Sports Tampering	3919
Homicide Offenses	
Murder/Manslaughter	0901–0908; 0911–0912
Negligent Manslaughter	0910
Human Trafficking	
Commercial Sex Acts	6411
Involuntary Servitude	6411
Kidnapping/Abduction	1001–1009; 1099
Larceny/Theft	

Group "A" Offenses	National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Code
Pocket-picking	2301
Purse-snatching	2302
Shoplifting	2303
Theft from Building	2308; 2311
Theft From Coin Operated	2307
Machine	
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	2305
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or	2304; 2407
Accessories	
All Other Larceny	2306; 2309–2310; 2312–2316; 2410
Motor Vehicle Theft	2401-2405; 2408; 2412; 2499
Pornography/Obscene Material	3700–3706; 3799
Prostitution Offenses	
Prostitution	4003–4004
Promoting Prostitution	4001–4002; 4006; 4007-4009; 4099
Purchasing Prostitution	4005
Robbery	1201–1211; 1299
Sex Offenses-Forcible	
Forcible -Rape	1101–1103
Forcible Sodomy	1104–1115
Sexual Assault with an Object	None
Forcible Fondling	3601 (Child)
Sex Offenses-Non-Forcible	
Incest	3604; 3607
Statutory Rape	1116
Stolen Property Offenses	2801–2805; 2899
Weapon Law Violations	5201–5214; 5299
Cruelty to Animals	None